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Minnesota Seeks to Try Karpis on Murder Charge

St. Paul Minn., May 4.—(UP)—Legal forces of three Minnesota counties marshalled evidence on murder charges against Alvin Karpis today. His eyes red-rimmed, Karpis, meanwhile, underwent his third day of steady interrogation by federal agents in the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr. and Edward G. Bremmer.

Occasional glimpses of the long-hunted gang leaders showed him subdued by his long session in the St. Paul department of justice offices, which he has not left since his arrival Saturday morning from New Orleans.

It was learned reliably that Karpis has not confessed. It was certain also that federal authorities either will receive a plea of guilty or try Karpis in the two St. Paul abductions before they let Missouri have him on murder charges. He is accused of slaying a sheriff at West Plains, Mo., several years ago.

Work on Murder Cases.

Attorneys of Ramsey, Hennepin and Dakota counties were working on evidence for four murder charges against Karpis in two major crimes that brought death to three policemen and one bystander.

One was the Third Northwestern National Bank robbery in Minneapolis, Dec. 16, 1932. Patrolman Ira L. Eans and Leo Gorsky were killed when the gang machine-gunned its way to freedom with \$25,000 loot. A few moments later the gang killed Oscar Erickson of

St. Paul when he slowed up his car as the gunmen were transferring the loot.

The other was the \$30,000 hold-up of two bank messengers in South St. Paul, Aug. 30, 1933 when Patrolman Leo Ravlick was slain. Authorities contend that Charles J. Fitzgerald, arrested two weeks ago in the Hamm case, was a member of the South St. Paul holdup gang.

Implicated by Felon.

Karpis was implicated in the Minneapolis bank robbery by Lawrence Devol, alias Larry Barton, after he started serving a life sentence in state prison. Devol later lost his mind, according to Warden J. J. Sullivan, and was transferred to the state asylum.

Federal men, however, were determined to retain custody of their prisoner. It was indicated his total bond would be \$400,000, highest ever asked in this district.

Hunter Tells Story.

New Orleans, La., May 4.—(P)—Federal agents indicated today that Fred Hunter, suspect in an Ohio maily robbery case who was arrested here Friday with Alvin Karpis and their woman companion, "Ruth" had given them details of association with Karpis.

A federal bureau of identification agent was heard to tell Hunter:

"Now we'll boil down all these facts into a concise statement which you will sign." Hunter did not reply.

The agent's remark came on one of Hunter's trips through the corridor of the federal building, where he was being questioned.

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Girl Friend of Karpis Freed

No Charges To Be Made Against Her, Hoover Says

WASHINGTON, May 5 (AP).—J. Edgar Hoover said today that Ruth Robinson, the red-haired woman seized by Federal agents with Alvin Karpis in New Orleans Friday night, had been released. He said no charges would be placed against her.

Fred Hunter, arrested at the same time, is being held to face charges of harboring Karpis and also to face charges in connection with a mail train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, in which Karpis is also charged with participating.

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So Crime Pays?



The old Gilbert and Sullivan line that "a policeman's lot is not a happy one" may be true, but it is certainly much truer when applied to the **CRIMINAL**.

Crime may pay in money—for a while. But as any gangster will testify when he is caught, it does **NOT** pay in **SAFETY, SECURITY OR PEACE OF MIND**.

Alvin Karpis, kidnaper recently captured by J. Edgar Hoover and his G-Men, says that his life for the last two or three years have been **HELL**. Probably he was not bothered by pangs of conscience. Mr. Karpis seems to have been born without a conscience. But he found that it was no joke to be hunted like a rat from one hiding-place to another, knowing that at any moment the trap would close upon him, or that he might be filled full of lead from a G-Man's pistol.

The "rewards" of crime may sound alluring. But the cartoon above is worth the study of any young man who is tempted by them. It shows what those "rewards" are **IN FACT, NOT IN FANCY**.

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FEDERAL AGENTS TRAP CAMPBELL

Pal of Karpis, Heir to
'Enemy No. 1' Title, Ar-
rested in Toledo

CLEVELAND, May 7 (AP)—Harry Campbell, 36, limping pal of Alvin Karpis, erstwhile "Public Enemy No. 1," and two others fell into a G-men's trap at Toledo, O., at dawn today and were captured like the gangland leader a week ago in New Orleans, without the firing of a shot.

The capture was personally made by J. Edgar Hoover and a squad of Bureau of Investigation agents.

Announcement of the capture was made by Hoover here, who flew to Cleveland after the trio had been apprehended.

Hoover said Campbell already was on his way to St. Paul by plane to face kidnaping charges in the Edward Bremer abduction case.

Taken with Campbell, Hoover said, was a 19-year-old girl who claimed to be Campbell's wife.

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SPECTACLES FAIL
TO HIDE KARPIS



The spectacles Alvin Karpis is wearing here and a face-lifting operation failed to enable him to escape the G-men, now grilling him in St. Paul on unsolved angles of the Hamm kidnapping case, first in which he will face trial. Maximum penalty would be a life term, and he later may be turned over to Missouri authorities to face a sheriff murder charge.

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KARPIS' GANGSTER, HARRY CAMPBELL, SEIZED IN TOLEDO

Hurried into Plane for St.
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Oklahoma Wants Cokar

Hoover said Cokar probably will be held for Oklahoma authorities as a parole violator, where an unfinished 30 year sentence for bank robbery still stands against him.

Campbell's capture came less than a week after that of Karpis.

Karpis became known nationally after federal agents killed Kate "Ma" Barker and her son, Fred, in a gun battle in Florida.

Campbell and Karpis fled north in a stolen automobile, shot their way out of an Atlantic City hotel in a battle with police and escaped to the middle west after abducting a Pennsylvania doctor to obtain his automobile.

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HOOVER SEIZES PAL OF KARPIS

Harry Campbell Arrested in
Toledo—G-Men Also Cap-
ture Oklahoma Outlaw.

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TOLEDO, Ohio, May 7.—Harry Campbell, only remaining principal of the Karpis-Barker gang, was captured at dawn today personally by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Mr. Hoover and his aids put Campbell on a chartered plane bound for St. Paul where he is wanted for his part in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul brewer, in January, 1934.

Mr. Hoover and his investigators slipped in and out of Toledo quietly. They encountered little resistance when they broke into Campbell's front apartment on the second floor of a store building. They found \$2,900 in cash, an automatic and six clips of cartridges in the apartment.

With Campbell was his wife, attractive brunette, 22. She was held for questioning in Cleveland, but was not placed under arrest.

Mr. Hoover said he doubted that she knew her husband's identity. They were married a year ago in Bowling Green, Ohio. Campbell used the name Bob Miller, the same name under which he lived here.

Half an hour after Campbell was captured Mr. Hoover arrested Sam Coker, Oklahoma convict and associate of Alvin Karpis, who was taken in New Orleans Friday night.

Coker was living with an aged couple suffering from heart trouble, and Mr. Hoover used extreme precaution not to excite them. Coker will be returned to Oklahoma for parole violation.

Mr. Hoover disclosed after the raids that Dr. Joseph Moran, of Chicago, who altered the fingerprints of the Karpis-Barker gangsters and performed plastic surgery on their faces, is believed to be "at the bottom of Lake Erie."

"We are not checking him off our list yet," Mr. Hoover remarked, "but

we believe gangsters killed him in fear he would 'squeal'."

Files from Washington.

As in the capture of Karpis, Mr. Hoover flew from Washington last night to lead the raid personally. The \$2,500 federal reward will not be paid as the G-men tracked Campbell down without any tips.

Mr. Hoover revealed that Campbell had been living here for the last five months and had been in and out of Toledo for the last year and a half.

He said Campbell and Karpis parted after the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery last November. Karpis went south and Campbell remained in Ohio.

Campbell had no chance to reach his gun and shoot it out with federal agents.

"Yellow Like Rest."

"He was yellow just like all the rest of them," Mr. Hoover said. "As soon as they see you mean business they wilt."

The Bureau of Investigation will immediately intensify its search for doctors, politicians and others who aided the Karpis-Barker gang.

Mr. Hoover disclosed that most of the gang hid in Cleveland in the summer of 1934. They were tipped off, by "crooked Cleveland politicians with police connections" that a federal raid was planned and fled.

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Flanked by two of the 15 Federal agents who took part in his capture, Alvin Karpis, the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, attempts to shield his face with the aid of his straw hat shortly after he was surprised by Federal men as he left the apartment in New Orleans where he was in hiding. The desperado surrendered without the firing of a single shot. J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice, led his men in making the capture.

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Tanaka, Cook for Peifer, Released on \$10,000 Bail



SAM TANAKA

Campbell Still Facing Barrage of Questions in Bremer Kidnaping.

A cook and houseboy whose services apparently are worth \$10,000 was released Saturday from the Ramsey county jail on a surety bail bond for that amount. He is Sam Tanaka, cook and houseboy for Jack Peifer, St. Paul nightclub operator.

Peifer is at liberty on \$100,000 bond on charges of having a part in the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, in 1933.

Tanaka was jailed as a material witness in the case and held for nearly two weeks before the bond was given Saturday. He was subpoenaed to appear at the November term of Federal court here to testify and the bond required to assure his appearance.

Meanwhile, Harry Campbell, who was arrested in Toledo, Ohio, Thursday for the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping, was facing a barrage of questions from G-men who held him in their headquarters in St. Paul. Alvin Karpis, alleged leader of the kidnaping mob, who was arrested in New Orleans May 1, is held in the Ramsey County jail.

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ALVIN KARPIS, et al
Edward G. Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping

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FEDERAL OFFICER TO TAKE CUSTODY OF FRED HUNTER

On Way to Assume Charge
of Man Seized With
Karpis

GANGSTER 'YELLOW RAT,' SAYS HOOVER

Desperado Arrested Here
Without Cost of Any
Reward

Shortly after Alvin Karpis, who was quietly removed here Friday from the top of the list of America's desperadoes, reached St. Paul, Minn., to answer to his long series of crimes, a federal agent was reported Saturday afternoon to be on his way to New Orleans to take into custody Fred Hunter, who was arrested with Karpis at a Canal street apartment house.

Identity of a young woman who was seized with Karpis and Hunter was still a mystery, as federal agents announced they were awaiting word from Washington, D. C., on an examination of her fingerprints. Hunter and the young woman, known only as "Ruth," were still held Saturday afternoon in the post-office building, after spending the night there under guard.

Leaves for Hunter

Postoffice inspectors at Washington announced that Wallace Briggs, inspector in charge at Cincinnati, had left for New Orleans to get Hunter, who, with Karpis, Harry Campbell and two others, is charged with a mail robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, when \$34,000 in cash and \$12,000 in negotiable bonds were taken.

George and Al Hunter, father and brother of Fred Hunter, were arrested Saturday in Warren, Ohio. A squad of agents went to the elder man's farm near Warren and began digging operations which they refused to discuss. It was reported that they were acting on reports that part of the Garrettsville mail robbery loot is buried at the farm.

Karpis was known to have plenty of money during his stay here. He paid for an automobile in \$100 bills and whether a \$10 gold note which made its appearance in New Orleans several days ago had any connection with the capture of Karpis caused much comment here.

One federal agent, however, said that "had that note been a part of the William A. Hamm, Jr., kidnap ransom payment or any other kidnap ransom money, the fact would have been made public quickly."

The apartment house at 3343 Canal street, where Karpis had resided for a few weeks with the young woman, Saturday remained under surveillance. David W. Magee, chief of the New Orleans office of the federal bureau of investigation, said, after an examination of the apartment and of Karpis' effects, that "we've found plenty." He declined to elaborate upon the statement.

Apartment Searched

No one was admitted to the apartment, which was searched and photographed for fingerprints by the government men. One of the agents took two traveling bags, a flashlight, fishing tackle and a .22-caliber rifle with a telescope sight from the Karpis apartment and carried it to the local bureau of investigation office.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, who himself supervised the bloodless capture of Karpis and his companions here, was on his way by airplane for New York Saturday afternoon after leaving Karpis in St. Paul, scene of kidnappings with which he is charged.

Stopping in Chicago, Mr. Hoover said that the young woman held here is an Arkansas girl. "She has been traveling under several names," he added, "and we do not know with certainty which is the right one."

Checking Prints

Mr. Magee called the young woman "Ruth," but would not say whether she had revealed any information. Her fingerprints were sent by airplane to Washington for checking. She was guarded carefully and kept from view at all times Friday night and Saturday.

Federal building cleaners were not

permitted to enter the rooms which served as the improvised cells of Hunter and the young woman, and a government agent himself obtained a broom from an employe, entered the offices and later gave the broom back to the cleaner.

That Karpis was betrayed by anyone close to him was denied in St. Paul by Mr. Hoover, shortly after his arrival there with the criminal after a 12-hour airplane trip from New Orleans.

'No Betrayal'

Asserting that the gangster's capture had not cost the federal government one cent of the \$5000 reward offered, Mr. Hoover added:

"There was no betrayal of Karpis by his pals or others. The man who said he'd never be captured quit like the yellow rat he is and the rest of gangland is at heart."

That Karpis narrowly escaped police arrest here on June 22, 1935, was disclosed Saturday when Traffic Patrolman Felix Foret, 3831 Marais street, conferred with Mr. Magee.

Foret, closeted for almost an hour with federal agents, refused to comment on why he had been summoned by government men. He did, however, say that he saw Karpis in a barroom at Gravier and Camp streets, last June, and rushed into the place to arrest Karpis, as soon as he was relieved from traffic duty by a superior.

"I was in the barroom," Foret said, "eating my lunch, when a stranger called my attention to a man I now know to be Karpis, who stood at the bar nervously munching on a hot-dog sandwich and gulping a glass of beer."

Tells Superior

"I ran out on the street and told my superior, Traffic Sergeant Michael Morgan, that Karpis was in the barroom."

"When I ran back into the barroom, Karpis had left. It is possible that he saw me talking with Harold Moore, New Orleans attorney, who stepped from the barroom and called department of justice men. At any rate Karpis was gone before I returned to place him under arrest."

Foret explained that his delay in going back into the barroom was occasioned by his waiting for government men to furnish him with pictures of Karpis.

"I picked Karpis' picture out of a group of photographs," Foret said, "and asking Sergeant Morgan to handle traffic for me for a minute, I ran into the barroom—only to find that Karpis had eluded me."

"I knew Karpis from newspaper pictures I had seen, but wanted to make sure of his identity. I don't know how he got out of the place without my seeing him, unless it was while I was talking to my sergeant."

Karpis is wanted for three kidnappings, the William Hamm and Edward B. Bremer abductions, and that of a doctor whose car was commandeered after the gangster shot his way out of a trap in Atlantic City, N. J. He is under indictment for both the Hamm and Bremer kidnappings which yielded ransom of \$300,000.

He was being questioned Saturday afternoon about these crimes and others. Agents held him in the St. Paul federal building and gave no indication as to when they might transfer him to jail.

Easily Recognizable

Mr. Hoover disclosed that Karpis had resorted to plastic surgery on his face, but that despite alterations which included cuts from the lobes of each ear, he was easily recognizable from his photographs.

"Karpis said he'd never be taken alive," said the investigation department chief, "but we took him without firing a shot. That marked him as a dirty, yellow rat. He was scared to death when we closed in on him. He shook all over—his voice, his hands and his knees."

"Before Karpis could reach for his gun, we had him covered and, without a murmur of protest, he, Hunter and the woman stepped from the car with their hands above their heads."

Reads of Capture

"Karpis could not talk. He stuttered and stammered. Finally he managed to blurt out:

"You are Mr. Hoover. I recognize you from a sailfish picture I saw of you in a Florida paper."

Mr. Hoover said that on the plane ride to St. Paul, Karpis congratulated him on the catch of that sailfish. Then the gangster took up a newspaper and read of his own capture and a bank robbery in Detroit. He laughed:

"I know you fellows will be my alibi witnesses on that job."

Investigation of the Hamm and

Bremer kidnappings, Hoover said, has not ended with the capture of Karpis "nor will it end with the eventual capture of Harry Campbell and indications are that several more individuals will be involved in both snatchings."

Karpis may have been co-leader of the now extinct Barker-Karpis gang of desperadoes, but to the G-man chieftain Harry Campbell, still a fugitive, is the "man with the brains."

After Campbell

Continuing, Hoover said:

"Karpis reminds me of Dillinger and George (Machine-Gun) Kelly. They talked a lot, but each had to follow the master mind of their respective chief aids."

"Dillinger had his John Hamilton, Kelly his Harvey Bailey and Karpis his Campbell. We're still after Campbell, and eventually we'll get him."

The plane in which Mr. Hoover came to New Orleans to direct Karpis' capture, which was made possible, according to his assistant in Washington, Thomas Quinn, "purely by leads gathered by federal agents, was chartered in the West and picked Mr. Hoover up in Washington. He used it to transport Karpis to St. Paul."

Flight 'No. 7'

Karpis' flying "cage" to St. Paul was designated simply as flight "No. 7" in the radio dispatches covering its movements Friday night and Saturday morning. Co-operating with Mr. Hoover in his desire for secrecy, the airlines avoided mention of any "special flight."

Anyone using short wave sets to listen in therefore would never have suspected that flight "No. 7" was in reality a prison plane with a dangerous prisoner as its main passenger.

After roaring away from Shushan Airport at 8:30 p. m. Friday, the party made a short stop at St. Louis for refueling around midnight. Then the plane was tied up at Kansas City from 2 a. m. until 5:30 a. m. because of unfavorable flying weather, but so strict was the secrecy with which the agents surrounded themselves that details of their stop in Kansas City did not become known at the airport until hours afterward.

The 14-passenger plane landed in St. Paul at 8:47 a. m. and was greeted by a regiment of peace officers, bristling with machine guns and rifles. Included in the heavily armed group was a detachment of men from the Minnesota National Guard.

The desperado, wearing thin summer apparel in a temperature just above freezing, was hustled from the plane to a heavily armed automobile, surrounded by machine guns, and taken direct to the St. Paul office of the department of justice. His feet scarcely touched the earth as the agents transferred him, behind closed doors of a National Guard hangar, from the air liner to the automobile.

Mr. Hoover ignored reporters at the airport, but met them shortly after his arrival at the federal building in St. Paul to discuss some of the details of the case.

'Quite a Hunter'

Mr. Hoover said Karpis had been under surveillance by federal agents for two or three days before his capture.

"Karpis was quite a fisherman and a hunter," he said. "He was in and out of New Orleans. Notwithstanding plastic surgery on his face, he was easily recognizable from his photograph. He had two scars on his ears, apparently for the purpose of lifting his face, and a cut into the lobe of each ear, but he looks exactly like his picture."

"When we had definite information he was in New Orleans, we surrounded the apartment house in which he lived with Hunter."

"Within three minutes after their arrest, there were more than a thousand people swarming around Karpis' car and the apartment house."

'All Yellow Rats'

Asked Karpis' reaction when he

was told to throw up his hands, Mr. Hoover said:

"He was so damned scared he couldn't talk."

Mr. Hoover said the department was "glad to take him alive" and that capture of the No. 1 badman "rings down the curtain on all the principals in the Barker-Karpis mob."

When asked whether Harry Campbell, fugitive in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping and pal of Karpis, now would be designated as public enemy No. 1, Hoover said:

"We don't give them any rating in the federal bureau of investigation. They are all yellow rats to us. That was proven last night."

Mr. Hoover said that Karpis probably will be arraigned Monday in St. Paul for the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm in June, 1933.

Faces Alcatraz

Authorities in Washington said the 36-year-old Karpis faces the prospect of spending the remainder of his life in Alcatraz Island prison, if convicted of either the Hamm or Bremer kidnappings.

A death penalty might be asked under the Lindbergh law if the trial should develop that a victim had been injured while held, legal authorities in the capital added.

At least two other demands for custody of Karpis were indicated. Hoover told newspapermen Karpis was wanted for three kidnappings, including those of Bremer and Hamm, the slaying of a sheriff, 15 bank robberies, three or four small hold-ups and complicity in the slaying of "three or four other fellows."

Postal authorities said they would like to try Karpis for the \$46,000 mail-train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, last November 7, if he did not receive a death sentence on some other charge.

In West Plains, Mo., Sheriff Ed Threlkeld of Howell county said he had asked that Karpis be brought there for trial for the slaying of Sheriff Roy C. Kelley in December, 1931, but did not expect his request would be complied with.

THE BIRMINGHAM POST ,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 9, 1936.

Re: BREKID.

WIFE TELLS OF KARPIS' CAPERS

Arkansas Woman Forced
To Help G-Men, She
Reveals At Spa

By United Press.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 9.—Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1 until arrested recently at New Orleans, married a Hot Springs woman a year ago and had lived here in luxury almost continuously since that time, the woman told the United Press today.

Mrs. Karpis, 32, the former Mrs. Grace Goldstein, operator of a local hotel, apparently was suffering from nervousness today as she told of how she married Karpis under false identification at New York City and how during two weeks preceding his capture G-men carried her on a whirlwind tour of the country in search of him.

America's most hunted desperado for more than a year came here early last Summer and was a guest at Mrs. Goldstein's hotel. She said he took her out to night clubs, and on fishing and other trips. Sometimes they traveled by plane.

Karpis, who introduced himself as Edward Woods, sportsman and gentleman of leisure, decided he wanted to see the Joe Louis-Max Baer fight last November at Madison Square Garden, Mrs. Karpis said, and chartered a plane to make the trip. While there they were married in a New York hotel, name of which she did not remember, she said.

They then traveled some and came back to the hotel. A short time later, she said, she learned she had married "public enemy No. 1." Mrs. Karpis admitted she continued living with the desperado and was with him in the house on Lake Catherine which was raided by Department of Justice agents about a month ago. "We left two days before the raid," she said.

Asked if Karpis had a tip G-men were going to make the raid, she said that was what Karpis told her.

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Says Karpis Betrayed Pal

Paper Says He Gave Tip on Campbell

ST. PAUL, May 8.—(P)—An effort to learn the names of Karpis-Barker gang aides—including politicians—was pressed by Federal agents today in questioning Harry Campbell, last of the major members of the mob.

Campbell, seized in Toledo yesterday and rushed here by plane, was interrogated in the Federal building. Campbell's capture followed a five day quiz of his confederate, Alvin Karpis, in the same place.

Government officials declined to comment but the Minneapolis Tribune said it had learned Karpis furnished the clue that led to his lieutenant's arrest. It said Karpis interrupted a discussion of his association with Campbell to inquire:

"Who put the finger on me?"

"Your pal," an agent was quoted as replying.

THEN IT HAPPENED

The apprehension of Campbell followed by less than six days the capture of Karpis in New Orleans.

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Department of Justice investigation staff, who participated in both arrests, asserted the capture of the gangsters at Cleveland two years ago was frustrated because "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians." He added:

"We're going to get all who aided that gang in Cleveland—the doctors, lawyers and politicians."

Hoover made a similar statement here when he brought Karpis to St. Paul by plane from New Orleans last Saturday. He said any one who had aided the mob in any way would be sought and tried.

Karpis was in the county jail, under \$500,000 bail, awaiting arraignment on five counts based on the abductions of William Hamm, Jr., brewer, and Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

KIDNAPING CHARGE

Campbell is charged with kidnaping in the Bremer case. United States District Attorney G. F. Sullivan said \$500,000 bail would be asked when he is arraigned.

The Government charged the Karpis-Barker gang engineered both crimes for a \$300,000 ransom total. Campbell's arrest completed the roundup of 25 persons accused of complicity.

Unless Karpis and Campbell should plead guilty, they would be tried at the fall term of Federal Court here for the Bremer kidnaping. Sullivan said Karpis also would be tried separately in the Hamm case.

Campbell, 36 years old, has a 15-year police record ranging from vagrancy and robbery to kidnaping and the slaying of Earl Smith, Tulsa attorney.

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G-MEN RELEASE WOMAN FRIEND OF KARPIS GANG

HOT SPRINGS—(P)—Mrs. Grace Goldstein, 30, operator of a local hotel and close friend of the "woman in white" in the Karpis capture, returned here today after a mysterious absence of nearly two weeks and said she had been held by government agents "while the Karpis gang was being rounded up."

She referred to the "woman in white," who was captured in New Orleans last week with Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter, as "Connie Robbins," and said that Miss Robbins would return to Hot Springs "in a day or so," following her release by the Department of Justice. The Miss Robbins referred to has been living at Mrs. Goldstein's hotel.

Mrs. Goldstein declined to disclose Miss Robbins' present whereabouts.

Mrs. Goldstein said that the government agents had taken her to St. Paul, Minn., "and to so many other places I can't remember."

"We moved so fast and went to so many places, I don't know certainly where we have been," she said.

She declined to say how she had returned to Hot Springs, except to assert that she had been "brought back and released close by."

"Where have you been?" she was asked.

"Karpis didn't have me," the blond Mrs. Goldstein replied easily, referring to a report to that effect. "The Karpis crowd wouldn't harm a hair on my head."

"We understood you were with the G-men," a reporter prompted.

"That's more like it," was the reply.

Mrs. Goldstein referred to Miss Robbins as "Hunter's girl."

She said she was "most anxious" to correct the report that Miss Robbins was traveling with Karpis, and she referred to Karpis as "my very close friend."

"I do not want to make any statement about his capture. I wish I had been able to—but never mind. I don't want to say anything about that," she said.

"You say Alvin Karpis was your very close friend?" Mrs. Goldstein was asked by the Associated Press.

"He was better than that," she replied proudly.

THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS,
Birmingham, Alabama,
May 8, 1936.

Re: BREKID.

New Sensations Hinted In G-Man Battle On Crime

TOLEDO, Ohio—(INS)—Reports that sensational new developments are imminent as the outgrowth of the capture here yesterday of Harry Campbell, last major Karpis gang figure, circulated today as G-men silently pursued an intensive investigation.

A number of Toledoans will be questioned on the theory that they may have some knowledge of the activities of Campbell and Alvin Karpis when the gang had a hide-out here, it was reported. Sheriff James O'Reilly, meanwhile, admitted he knew Harry Campbell under the name of "Bob Miller," and had drunk beer with him on several occasions. O'Reilly refused an editorial demand by The Toledo Blade that he resign his office.

O'Reilly said he had never noticed a picture of Campbell posted on the county jail bulletin board, and added he always thought Campbell was a big man, while Miller "is just a little fellow." "I'm sure my friends never thought I lacked courage," the sheriff said. "If I had suspected who he was I'd certainly have arrested him. Nothing would have helped my candidacy more than to have picked him up. I saw him at the ball game and could have arrested him there if I'd known who he was. The place was full of coppers."

Prosecutor Frazier Reams said he had no intention of discussing the matter with the sheriff "unless the sheriff discusses the matter with me."

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THE MOBILE TIMES,
Mobile, Alabama,
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G-MEN STAGE SILENT RAIDS TO NAB LAST OF KARPIS GUNMEN

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Harry Campbell, whose reign
as public enemy No. 1 was cut
short today by G-men.

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John Karpavicz, father of Alvin Karpis, seized last week, pictured in Chicago chasing cameramen and reporters with a tire pump. He refused to be interviewed about his son's arrest.

G-MEN PUT END TO 'TOUGH GUY'

Campbell Known as Most Reckless in Game

WASHINGTON — (INS)—Capture of Harry Campbell by G-men today brought to a close the reckless career of one of the expert "torpedoes" and "hard guys" of the old Karpis-Barker gang—and placed in federal custody a criminal on whose head was a \$2500 department of justice bounty.

Known As "Limpy"

Campbell, known as "Limpy" to his intimates because of a lame right leg, operated under a dozen aliases, and his activities have carried him into half the states of the union. His known aliases were Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson and George F. Sumners. He seemed to have a weakness for the name George.

36 Years of Age

The Karpis-Barker gang "torpedo" was 36 years old, and his description as spread over the country in department of justice pamphlets revealed the years of lawless life have taken their toll of him physically. He was born Jan. 1, 1900, at McClintockville, Penn. He is five feet, five inches in height, weighs about 140 pounds, has brown hair, blue eyes and is marked by scars. His teeth, said the justice department pamphlet, cryptically, are decayed.

Scars about his eyes and on his left arm, tell a story of narrow squeaks in running from the law.

E. E. Jones

St. Paul Pioneer Press

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A Life of Ease.

The career of still another man who in early youth decided to live without working by preying off others now comes to an end. This time Alvin Karpis is not headed for the "easy" prisons and parole system of the Southwest, but for a Federal prison, probably Alcatraz, where he will find life hard and both escape and parole out of the question for all practical purposes.

Karpis began his life of ease at 16. He is now 26. His career thus has covered slightly more than ten years. Of those ten years he has spent about four and a half in prison. During those other six years he was technically free, but in the real sense of the word, he had no freedom. Most of that time he spent in hideouts almost as confining and cramping as prison. Wherever he went he was either on the way to commit some new crime or he was furtively keeping out of sight of those who were hunting him, himself the quarry instead of the beast of prey. He could never turn a corner or look about except with that tightening of the muscles and racing of pulse of the man in danger. Every moment he lived was his last; he never knew what the next second had in store for him.

So now at 26, assuming he is not executed for murder, he starts out to live the remainder of his life at hard work without reward, hope or comfort, a caged animal.

Thus ends the "life of ease" without work that began ten years ago. Does he ever reflect to himself whether he or the workaday people on whom he set out to prey has been the "sucker"? Does he ever wonder over his mistake?

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KARPIS-BARKER MOBSTER SPED TO CRIME CITY

ST. PAUL — A split second slow on the draw, Harry Campbell was arrested at dawn in Toledo, O., Thursday where the Karpis-Barker mobster was overpowered, shackled, and whisked here by plane for questioning about robberies and kidnappings.

On Campbell's arrival in St. Paul, George Sullivan, United States district attorney, announced bail of \$500,000 would be asked when the limping gangster is arraigned on kidnapping charges.

This would be one of the largest bails ever asked in a criminal case. A similar amount has been asked for Alvin Karpis.

No Shooting

Not a trigger was squeezed, as federal agents, accompanied by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the bureau of investigation, closed in on the last of 25 persons implicated by the government in the \$200,000 abduction of Edward G. Bremer here in 1934.

"Campbell showed a little resistance," said Hoover. But heavily armed federal men, who had surrounded an apartment building during the night, pounced on the long sought outlaw like a cat to snatch a .45 calibre pistol from his pocket as Campbell emerged.

Then came the airport, leg irons and handcuffs. A chartered airplane brought Campbell here to undergo the same routine of questioning as had his erstwhile gangland chief, Alvin "Old Creepy" Karpis, who despite his boast never to be taken alive, was "scared to death" in New Orleans when the law closed in on him last week.

Plane Guarded

Wheeled into a hangar at municipal airport here whence all save federal agents were excluded, the plane was ringed by operatives with ready sub-machine guns and shot

guns while Campbell alighted.

A 19-year-old girl claiming to be Campbell's wife and Sam Cokar, a minor member of the now broken Karpis-Barker mob, did not accompany Campbell here. The girl was nabbed with Campbell. Cokar was taken in a simultaneous raid on another apartment house in Toledo.

Six federal men, headed by E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, rode with Campbell here. They, with four automobiles of agents from the St. Paul office, rushed him from the airport to the federal building and into the same room where Karpis, now in the county jail here, was subjected to intensive grilling this week.

Later Campbell will be taken to the same jail two blocks away, where Doc Barker, the Touhy gang and Tommy Touhy before him occupied cells.

Long Record

Like those jail occupants before him Campbell has a long underworld record ranging from vagrancy to

bank robbery, kidnaping, and murder.

His first offense was vagrancy, Dec. 25, 1920 at Tulsa, Okla., where he paid a \$19 fine and costs. He is wanted on burglary and robbery charges at Tulsa, Joplin, Mo., Hutchinson, Kan., and Stillwater Okla., the slaying of J. Earl Smith, Tulsa criminal attorney Aug. 19, 1922, and the kidnaping of Bremer, wealthy banker, here two years ago.

Campbell was born at McClintockville, Pa., Jan. 1, 1900. Most of his family now lives in Oklahoma. No reward will be paid for his capture, Thomas D. Quinn, assistant director of the bureau of investigation, said.

Had \$2,900

Campbell also had six clips of shells on his person when he was arrested. Currency amounting to \$2,900 was found in his room.

Hoover said the government would continue its search for persons who aided Campbell and other members of the gang. He disclosed a trap for members of the mob was set in Cleveland two years ago but that "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians."

"We are looking into all angles involved in that tip-off," said Hoover. "We're going to get all those who aided and abetted or harbored that gang in Cleveland—the doctors, lawyers, and politicians. I understand there were crooks in the Cleveland police department then."

Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Chicago, who the government claims performed life lifting operations on leaders of the gang, is believed by Hoover to have been killed and his body thrown in Lake Erie.

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GANG WAR VICTORIES

The roundup by federal agents Thursday of the last members of the Barker-Karpis and Mahan gangs of interstate kidnappers, and the joint work of Indianapolis and Chicago police in arresting members of the Brady gang, charged with a series of killings and robberies, comprise one of the most notable examples of police defensive work in the history of American law enforcement. The men wanted for kidnapping have been pursued for many months, and their capture leaves only one alleged kidnapper, Robinson, wanted in connection with the Stoll abduction, at large. The Brady gang was well started on a career that threatened to rank with the escapades of the Dillinger gang when Indianapolis and Chicago police broke it up and brought the key members into custody.

In none of the three instances was resort to gunfire necessary to subdue the fugitives. The inference which obviously may be drawn from this is that crooks have decided that they stand no chance in an open gun battle with police. Brady gang members resisted the Indianapolis police and killed Sergeant Rivers, a departure from recent practice

which accentuates the tendency, for it was this slaying that stimulated the pursuit and led to the capture of the principal members of the gang. Public opinion undoubtedly supports the quick-shooting policy of both federal and other enforcement officers. The records show that every federal agent who has been killed while trying to make one of these arrests has been killed by a paroled convict.

While it is probably true, as J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal agents, has stated, that these gangs will continue to organize and try to escape punishment, there is a growing popular impression that Hoover and his men have reduced this form of roving warfare on society to the minimum. They have demonstrated that the country needs an auxiliary federal police force, while at the same time local enforcement officers have demonstrated that the activities of the federal force have in no way reduced the responsibilities of the older police systems. The general conclusion is that at last the American people are applying the best of their ability to the crime problem.

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CAMPBELL PROBE

G-Men Quiz Karpis Aid 85 Hours

ST. PAUL (AP)—True to the underworld code, Harry Campbell, limping Barker-Karpis gangster, still refused to "squeal" as he passed his 85th hour last night in leg irons and manacles in the Federal Bureau of Investigation office.

Federal agents working in relays under supervision of Clinton W. Stein, continued to question him concerning persons who aided him and his chieftain, Alvin Karpis, while they were sought for nearly three years for two major kidnappings.

Karpis, transferred to the Ramsey County Jail after six days of grilling in Federal Bureau of Investigation offices, is under indictment for both the Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm kidnappings while Campbell is accused of being a participant in the Bremer abduction.

"Campbell has told us nothing; we're still interrogating him," one G-Man said. Brought here from Toledo by airplane Thursday morning, Campbell was whisked into a small room in the Federal building for questioning.

George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, has announced he would seek one-half million dollars bail each, the largest amount ever sought in a criminal case, when Karpis and Campbell are arraigned, expected to take place in about a week.

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Hoover's Men Take Campbell Into Custody

Last of Karpis Gang
Surprised by G-Men
In Toledo—Wife, Minor
Gangster Also Taken

Cleveland—(AP)—J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation chief, announced here that Harry Campbell, last of the Alvin Karpis gang, a woman described as his wife and Sam Cokar, a minor gangland figure, were captured by federal agents early today at Toledo, Ohio.

Hoover, who personally led the raid, said the capture was effected without the firing of a shot. Campbell was taken to St. Paul, Minn., by airplane to face charges in the Edward Bremer kidnaping, he said.

Campbell showed what Hoover termed a "little resistance" when the agents apprehended him, Hoover said.

Federal men surprised Campbell and the woman in a Toledo apartment.

On Campbell's person, the agents found a .45 calibre revolver and six clips of shells, Hoover said.

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He will stay alive to be tried for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., if government precautions can accomplish this.

Harry Campbell, Karpis' partner in the Bremer kidnaping and the Garrettsville, O., \$46,000 mail train robbery, in the meantime was undergoing the same sort of a grilling at Department of Justice headquarters as that which broke Karpis and led him to confess participation in the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings.

Indications were that Campbell, captured in Toledo, was proving

a much more stubborn customer than Karpis, his chief. As a result he was getting his sleep on a chair, while one foot was chained to a radiator and his hands were manacled.

Despite his taciturnity, it was intimated that he had dropped enough information to warrant the Government in recalling the Grand Jury for additional indictments.

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**Men Quiz Campbell
On Gang Activities**

ST. PAUL (UP)—Harry Campbell last night entered his 75th hour of persistent questioning by Federal agents who apparently had started other bureaus in quest of new suspects in Barker-Karpis gang activities.

As reports came in of renewed activity in Cleveland, Toledo and other points where Campbell and others of the gang hid out it appeared the examination of Campbell and Alvin Karpis in St. Paul was producing results.

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Doc Barker Once Nabbed In St. Paul

Fined For Speeding; Bail Receipt Mysteriously Vanishes From Rec- ords Of Court.

That Arthur (Doc) Barker, now serving a life term in Alcatraz for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, was arrested by St. Paul police on a speeding charge in 1932 and released on \$25 fine, was disclosed today together with the mysterious disappearance of the bail receipt.

Municipal court records show Barker was arrested April 22, 1932,

appeared in municipal court and paid a \$25 fine and signed his bail receipt. Search for the receipt in the vault was fruitless. The receipt, 8496, was missing.

Kate (Ma) Barker and her two sons, Fred and Arthur, who had been

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making their home at West St. Paul at that time, left St. Paul a short time later.

Other developments today included a report that a planned Ramsey county jail delivery of Karpis-Barker mobsters here last spring went awry when gang members who apparently had planted a cache of dynamite and machine gun ammunition, at the former home of Harry Sawyer, another convicted Bremer kidnaping, were kept away by ever watching G-men.

Sam Tanaka, Japanese employee of Jack Peiffer, indicted in connection with the William Hamm, Jr., kidnaping, was freed today on \$10,000 bond. Tanaka was held as a material witness.

Karpis-Barker gang members often visited the summer home of Sawyer.

The cache, discovered by Fred Kohrt and his 6-year-old son, consisted of several sticks of dynamite and bullets, packed in containers. The home is located on Snail Lake boulevard and Holmgren road.

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Why Hoover Himself Helped Trap Karpis

By Walter Winchell

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NEW YORK, May 4.—The "inside" on why J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G-men, personally supervised the capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans was because "Public Rat No. 1" (as Hoover calls him) had threatened to shoot and kill Hoover on sight.

Then, too, Senator McKellar of Tennessee, at a recent hearing in Washington concerning appropriations for the federal bureau of investigation, heckled Hoover with:

"Tell me, Mr. Hoover—did you ever make an arrest?"

From reliable information this reporter learned that when Karpis was cornered exiting from his apartment in New Orleans, the bank burglar and murderer sarcastically said:

"I see we've finally met."

"Yes," said Hoover, "and if memory serves you were going to kill me."

"I would have," replied Karpis, "if I had the chance."

WILL FIGHT IN COURT

The jailing of Karpis in St. Paul, where he will stand trial for the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr. for \$100,000 ransom, gives Karpis "the break." If found guilty he will get life at Alcatraz, instead of death in Missouri, where he is charged with murdering a sheriff.

"Are you glad it is all over?"

Hoover asked Karpis in the plane bound for St. Paul.

Karpis replied he intended to fight the charges because "the longer I fight it, the longer it will be before I go to Alcatraz."

In the car that took Karpis to the federal bureau's offices in New Orleans, he turned to the girl captured with him and said:

"You see! If you listened to me, you wouldn't be in this."

Karpis explained to the "G-men" he had urged Ruth Robinson, nicknamed "Connie," an Arkansas girl, to "go home" two days before the capture.

"And Hunter's a dope, too," said Karpis. "I told him to take in the baseball game. If he'd done that you wouldn't have nailed him, either."

WHY HE BECAME CRIMINAL

"Why did you go in for crime?" one of the officers asked Karpis.

"I've seen too many people hungry and without jobs," he answered, "And I made up my mind a long time ago I wouldn't be like them."

"The apartment in which Karpis, Hunter and the Robinson girl lived was appointed in extravagant taste," said a "G-man." "It was lucky for passersby we got Karpis without firing a shot for the crowd was as thick as the crowds you see at Forty-second street and Fifth avenue, New York City, during the rush hour. We might have hurt some one by shooting."

When they asked him about the 16 bank burglaries, the four mail robberies, three kidnaps and four murders, of which he stands accused, Karpis was stubborn in answering.

"You're going to kill me any way," he said, trembling, "so why talk? Why don't you kill me now and get it over with?"

"No one is going to bother you," he was told, "unless you get fresh. We don't kill people unless they start killing first. Besides, you've seen too many 'G-men' movies!"

BELIEVE SURGEON SLAIN

Hoover believes the surgeon who did the plastic job on Karpis' facial renovation was murdered "and thrown into Lake Erie." Not because his surgery didn't click, but because he started talking when he was drunk, which was often.

When they were taking Karpis from the federal bureau's New Orleans offices to the airport, the car stopped for the traffic signals at a corner where a newsboy, offered a newspaper to Karpis (whom he didn't recognize) and said:

"Paper! Real all about Public Enemy No. 1 being captured!"

Karpis turned to Hoover, smiled and said:

"Would you be so kind as to read it to me, I want to go to sleep."

The arrest of Karpis, it was pointed out, doesn't "end this case." There will be several arrests in various cities of venal politicians (some police executives) who harbored and abetted Karpis and his henchmen.

"A lot of them are sick to their middles," remarked a "G-man," "from worrying, already. Karpis is going to have the pleasure of their company again—very soon."

The Robinson girl was not living with Karpis—she was the mistress of Hunter.

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GANG CACHE

Sawyer Ammunition Seized



—Daily News Photo.

Safely stored in the Ramsey county jail today is a quantity of machine gun ammunition turned over to SHERIFF T. J. GIBBONS Friday after its discovery, together with dynamite, on the rural Ramsey county summer home of Harry Sawyer, convicted ngerman in the Edward Bremer kidnaping. The dynamite and ammunition, found cached in containers, is believed to have been planted for use by Alvin Karpis, No. 1 public enemy until his capture, for a planned Ramsey county jail delivery last spring of Karpis-Barker gangsters.

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AROUND THE TOWN

"My, Oh, my!" exclaimed the reporter to the veteran detective. "I see by the papers that the G-men have caught up with Karpis."

"You are a day late, my lad," quoth the latter. "That happened yesterday—"

"I seldom read papers," said the reporter. "It's enough to write some of the stuff that's in them."

"I bet your city editor—ain't that your boss—wouldn't think that," opined the veteran. "But what I was going to say about this capture is that it just goes to show you, in one more very dramatic way indeed that you positively can't buck the Feds when they get on your tail. Of course this Karpis affair attracted a lot of attention because of the newspapers but there's many a small fry has been caught without any noise made about it by these G-men fellas."

"As a matter of fact," the V. D. wound up, "cities are really getting safer all the time. Police have an increasing tide of crime in some localities to contend with but on the other hand their methods are away ahead of crooks and the number of arrests is away ahead of the proportional increase in crime."

"So that's your moral, for today"—the reporter.

"It is," said V. D. with assurance—and the scribe had nothing to say.

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HOOVER TO LEAD RAIDS OFTEN

Smashing doors and leading his men into gangsters' rooms is not new to John Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, although he intends to do more of it from now on, the Washington Herald has learned.

For the second time in a week the head G-man led a flying squad of picked agents yesterday in personal capture of a gangster. On May 1 it was Alvin Karpis, and yesterday it was Harry Campbell, last of Karpis' accomplices.

In the past Hoover has led his men on numbers of cases to "invite" criminals to surrender to a United States marshal. Until 1934, G-men had no authority to carry guns or make arrests.

When Hoover appeared before the Senate appropriations subcommittee which slashed the bureau's appropriation from \$6,025,000 to \$5,800,000 for the next fiscal year, Senator K. D. McKellar, of Tennessee, committee chairman, taunted him as a "swivel chair" leader.

Yesterday it was disclosed that in 1919 Hoover led squads of arresting agents in a roundup of criminal aliens.

It also was learned Hoover intends in the future to lead his men when they have to go on dangerous missions, "just to keep in shape by running up stairs."

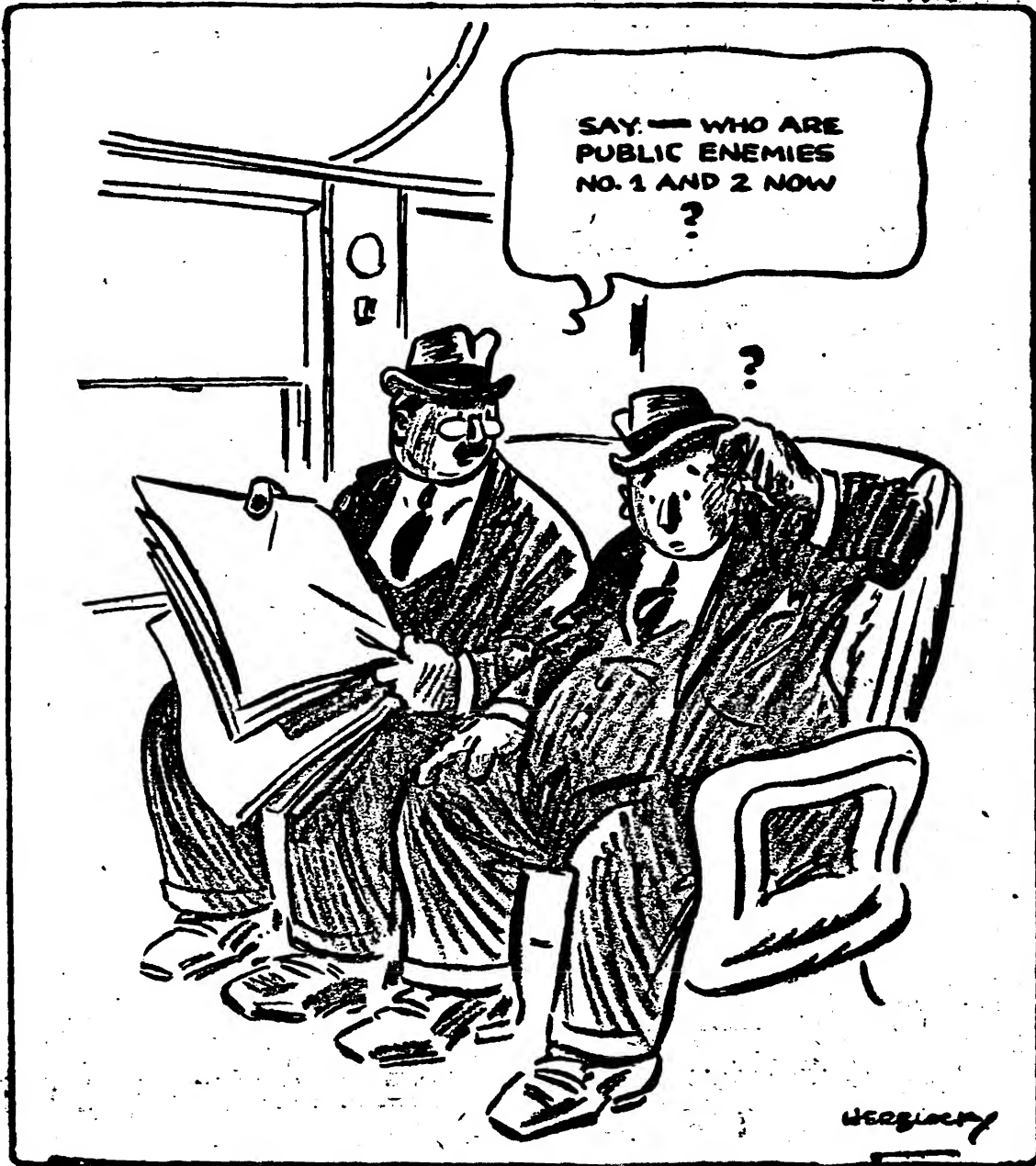
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KARPIS CAPTURED IN NEW ORLEANS BY HOOVER HIMSELF

Another Man and Woman Are
Also Seized by 15 Agents
Under Federal Chief.

DESPERADO PUT ON PLANE

Destination Is Unannounced,
but Ship Pauses at St. Louis
—Reported Chicago-Bound.

ALL TAKEN WITHOUT A SHOT

Just Leaving Apartment, They
Give Up When Surrounded
by Shotgun Squad.

By The Associated Press.

NEW ORLEANS, May 1.—Alvin Karpis, No. 1 bad man of the United States, was captured tonight without resistance by officers led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

A few hours later the man who succeeded John Dillinger as the country's most-wanted criminal, heavily guarded and manacled, was put aboard an airplane and taken from the city with the destination unannounced.

Without a shot being fired, though Karpis was armed, he was taken into custody along with Fred Hunter, 37 years old, a suspect in the \$34,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery, and a woman known only as "Ruth" as they emerged from an apartment building about half a mile from the center of the business district.

Mr. Hoover made the announcement of the capture with the simple statement:

"We've captured Alvin Karpis, generally known as Public Enemy No. 1—but not to us."

Then he added:

"They were taken without the firing of a shot. Karpis never had a chance. There were too many guns on him."

Indicted in Kidnappings

Karpis is under indictment for the \$100,000 kidnapping of William A. Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, on June 15, 1933, and the \$200,000 kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, on Jan. 17, 1934.

He also is wanted on a charge of murder in connection with the slaying of Sheriff C. R. Kelley at West Plains, Mo., on Dec. 19, 1931.

The three-year hunt from coast to coast and beyond for Karpis was as extensive as that for his predecessor as public enemy No. 1, Dillinger, who was shot in Chicago.

He was the last of the original Karpis-Barker gang. Seven of that band of bank robbers and kidnapers are now dead and the rest have been captured.

Within the past two weeks the Department of Justice had put a \$5,000 price upon Karpis's head and added a \$2,500 price for information leading to the capture of his pal, Harry Campbell.

Four days ago the postal inspection service followed the department's lead and added a \$2,000 reward for Karpis, bringing his price to \$7,000, and \$2,000 more for Campbell. But Campbell escaped the raid today.

Hoover on Job Several Days

Mr. Hoover said the Bureau of Investigation had known that Karpis had been in and out of New Orleans for the last several months. He, himself, had come here several days ago to direct the manhunt.

Smiling slightly, the chief Federal agent made his announcement of the capture in the Bureau office in the Postoffice Building here about an hour after the raid, which occurred at 5:30 P. M., saying, "I've got something interesting to tell you."

Mr. Hoover did not say how many men took part in the capture but there were reported to have been between fifteen and twenty. Speaking of the three arrested, he said:

"They were in an apartment on the first floor of the building and were leaving the house to enter an automobile when the agents surrounded them."

"The agents called upon them to surrender and they were taken without the firing of a shot."

Shackles were placed on the hands and feet of Karpis and the shackles were then bound together. He and the others were taken to the Postoffice building. Karpis and Hunter, likewise bound, had to be carried by agents.

Karpis had been living at the apartment with the woman, who was about 21 years old, pretty, red-haired and dressed in white. Hunter visited them nightly, neighbors said.

The capture was effected so smoothly and quietly that only persons near by were aware of the Federal agents' latest success.

Witnesses said that when the three left the house agents armed with sawed-off shotguns and other weapons stepped to the sidewalk and crisply commanded them to surrender. When the desperadoes made no move they were seized and rushed from the scene.

Addison Cole, 17-year-old high school student who lives in the apartment where Karpis lived, said that when he got off a street car late this afternoon he saw a man (later identified as Hunter) walking across the sidewalk.

"A woman was walking behind him," Cole added. "One man was walking on each side of him and another man accompanied the woman. At the same time a third prisoner (Karpis) was being put into an automobile by a couple of government men. He seemed to be resisting to some extent."

"The G-men left with the three prisoners and six more government men remained hidden behind a hedge, one with a sawed-off shotgun, one with an automatic rifle and the rest with pistols."

"I saw one man kicking at a side door. Some others were hustling the crowds away. Finally, one of the men sent for the janitor to open the side door. I went to enter the back door and a man stopped me and searched a bundle I had under my arm. Then he let me go in. I

went inside and there was another man in the janitor's room."

Federal agents were posted in the apartment house tonight.

Edward Hoffman, who lives in the house behind the apartment building, said he had rented parking space in his yard to Karpis.

"He seemed all right," Hoffman remarked.

John Campbell, janitor of the apartment building, said he knew Karpis as a mild, pleasant man with a slight impediment in his speech, and only as "Mr. O'Hara."

Campbell declared that "O'Hara" and the woman, who posed as his wife, were the only two of the arrested persons living in the apartment house. The third person "came over every night and talked with them," he said.

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F. E. JOSEPH

Plane Lands at St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Saturday, May 2 (AP).—A chartered Douglas airliner bearing Alvin Karpis and several department of justice agents landed at Lambert-St. Louis Municipal Airport at 11:46 last night.

The plane took on fuel and departed at 12:35.

Airport officials, who declined to be quoted, said that the Federal men did not leave the plane, in which Karpis was closely guarded. The destination was not learned, but it was reported that Karpis was being taken to Chicago.

There were seven or eight justice agents aboard the plane and a crew of three. The plane is a fourteen-passenger ship.

Kidnap Victim "Relieved"

PHILADELPHIA, May 1 (AP).—The doctor whom Alvin Karpis kid-

napped in making his escape to the Midwest after shooting his way out of an Atlantic City hotel in January, 1935, was "relieved" tonight to hear the No. 1 bad man of the country had been captured.

"It's interesting and a relief to know he's been caught," said Dr. Horace W. Hunsicker of Allentown, who was forced, at pistol-point, to drive Karpis and a "pal" across Pennsylvania and into Ohio in making good their escape.

Dr. Hunsicker was stopped by "Public Enemy No. 1," and his friend, Harry Campbell, the night after they blasted their way out of the Atlantic City Hotel.

They had come up from Florida with two "girl friends" and stopped in the hotel. Atlantic City police were notified to be on the look-out for an automobile, but were not informed the car was being driven by Karpis and Campbell, so they believed it a stolen car.

They spotted the car in a garage, found out the men who had parked it were in a hotel, and two officers went there to pick them up about noon on a Sunday.

When the policemen knocked on the hotel room door and demanded it be opened, the two, dressed only in their underclothing, shot their way from the room, leaped in an automobile outside the hotel, and sped westward.

Racing across New Jersey and into Pennsylvania, they abandoned the care there, stopped Dr. Hunsicker as he was driving from Allentown to Philadelphia and forced him to take them to Medina, Ohio.

There they dumped him, bound and gagged, into a vacant hall and sped off in his car. He freed himself and notified authorities.

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B. JUS

KARPIS AT 16 BEGAN HIS CRIME CAREER

Started as a Petty Thief and
'Graduated' Into Killer
and Kidnapper.

KNOWN AS 'OLD CREEPY'

Colleagues Feared and Hated
Him, but 'Ma' Barker, Later
Slain, Made Him a Pet.

ST. PAUL, May 1 (P).—The capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans tonight ended a man-hunt as extensive as that of his predecessor as "Public Enemy No. 1," John Dillinger.

Karpis (his real name is Raymond Karpavicz) gained the title of the most-wanted man in America after the slayings of Dillinger and George (Baby Face) Nelson.

Known to his pals as "Slim" and "Old Creepy," Karpis embarked on his career of crime at the age of 16 and spent his years, from then on, either in penitentiaries or in a wild flight across the country.

"Old Creepy," which sobriquet he earned because he got on the nerves of his henchmen, was hated and feared by members of his mob.

Karpis started out as a petty thief and rapidly "graduated" as one of the country's big-time burglars, bank robber, killer and kidnapper. He was sought widely after spectacular bank raids in which blood flowed freely, but the hunt was intensified after the \$200,000 kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, young St. Paul bank president, in January, 1934. The banker, in his own words, said he was confined "in a living hell" for twenty-one days.

Broke Out of Prison

The desperado was born in Canada on Aug. 10, 1909. At an early age he was taken by his Lithuanian parents to Topeka, Kan. He was the only boy in the family, but had three sisters.

When 16 years old he was arrested in Topeka for stealing tires. Convicted of second-degree burglary, he was sent to the State Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kan., for a ten-year term.

In the reformatory he met Lawrence Devol, alias Larry Barton. The two sawed through the cell bars and escaped after Karpis had served three years.

Devol now is serving a life term for a sensational Minneapolis bank hold-up in which two patrolmen were slain. Karpis also took part in that crime, Devol admitted.

After a year of freedom, Karpis and Devol were arrested at Kansas City March 23, 1930. They were riding in a car packed with safe-blowing equipment. Karpis was sent back to the reformatory. When knives were found in his possession he was transferred to the State penitentiary in Lansing, Kan., on May 19, 1930. A year later he was freed.

Joined 'Ma' Barker's Gang

A month later he landed in Tulsa, Okla., the headquarters of the Barker family—"Ma" Kate Barker, Freddie, Arthur (who also was known as "Doc"), Macqan and Lloyd.

"Ma" Barker and Freddie were slain in Ocala, Fla., after a six-hour gun-fight with Federal agents. "Doc" is serving a life term in Alcatraz for the Bremer abduction. Karpis and Freddie Barker met in the Lansing (Kan.) Penitentiary and became friends. It was there they plotted a \$5,000 jewel robbery at Henryetta, Okla.

On June 10, 1931, Karpis was arrested in Tulsa and taken to Okmulgee, Okla. Barker eluded officers, but his pal was sentenced Sept. 11, 1931, to four years in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Okla.

But the No. 1 bad-man never was taken to prison to serve that term, for after serving three months in the county jail during and shortly after his trial, he was paroled by the trial judge.

Soon after his parole Karpis killed Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains, Mo. That was on Dec. 19, 1931. Freddie Barker was with him when the Sheriff was slain.

The Sheriff had walked into a garage to question Karpis and Barker about a robbery the previous night. Federal agents who know the "inside" say neither had anything to do with the West Plains hold-up, but the outlaws were "too hot" to take any chances, and besides Karpis was on probation.

Tip Brought a Murder

The Barker boys and Karpis became close pals in crime. "Ma" Barker thought a good deal of Karpis. And "Old Creepy" liked her, too.

One night while Karpis, "Ma" Barker and her boys were sitting around the kitchen table in a South Robert Street address in St. Paul, which Attorney General Cummings once designated as "the poison spot of crime," a tip came that "the cops are on their way over."

At that time the officers were looking for the kidnapers of William Hamm Jr., St. Paul brewer, who paid \$100,000 for his freedom after being held captive four days.

After some speculation by the gangsters as to where the "leak" to the cops came from, they decided it was Arthur W. Dunlap. That was "Ma" Barker's second husband.

So a few nights later Freddie Barker invited Dunlap, his stepfather, for an automobile ride. Karpis, willing to do "Ma" a favor because he liked her, went along. A few days later the bullet-riddled body of Dunlap was found near Webster, Wis.

"Ma" Barker knew Dolores Delaney, a pretty St. Paul girl, and anxious to have Karpis, her "pet," make her acquaintance. So not long afterward Dolores and Karpis met at Harry Sawyer's saloon on Wabasha Street in St. Paul. Sawyer is serving a life term as the "finger man" in the Bremer kidnapping.

Dolores is serving a prison term for harboring Karpis. The girl is a sister-in-law of "Pat" Reilly, former mascot for the St. Paul baseball club, who served a prison term for harboring Dillinger after the latter was wounded in St. Paul following his famous "wood-gun" escape from Crown Point, Ind.

Record of Crimes Cited

In a few years that followed his meeting of Dolores, Karpis was said to have engineered, with his co-leader, "Doc" Barker, bank robberies, hold-ups and kidnappings that netted his gang more than \$500,000.

Crimes attributed to the Barker-Karpis mob included:

Hold-up of the Third Northwestern National Bank, Minneapolis, Dec. 16, 1932; loot, \$20,000 cash and a quantity of securities; three slain.

Payroll robbery in South St. Paul Aug. 30, 1933; loot, \$30,000; one policeman killed, one wounded.

Federal Reserve Bank mail robbery Sept. 22, 1933, in Chicago; policeman killed.

Hold-up of First National Bank at Brainerd, Minn.; loot, \$32,000.

Hold-up of National Bank and Trust Company, Sioux Falls, S. D., \$50,000.

Edward G. Bremer kidnapping, \$200,000 ransom.

William Hamm abduction, \$100,000 ransom.

But the ranks of the Barker-Karpis gang were reduced swiftly by bullets and prison sentences as the days went by. After the killing of "Ma" Barker and her boy, Freddie, Russell Gibson, alias "Slim" Gray, was killed in Chicago.

Shortly before his death, George Zeigler, alias "Shotgun" Goetz, was slain. The body of Willie Harrison, gang member and former St. Louis golf professional, was found in the burned ruins of a barn.

In prison are Volney Davis, Doc Barker, Harry Sawyer, William Weaver, Harold Alderton, Elmer Farmer, Oliver Berg and Jess Doyle.

Only ten days ago a Federal grand jury here indicted Karpis and six others for the kidnapping of Mr. Hamm, June 15, 1933. With the arrest of Karpis all of those accused are in custody.

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(O. K. Bovard, Managing Editor,
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"YELLOW RATS."

Like many others of his ilk, Karpis, who "would never be taken alive," surrendered without a flicker of resistance. And when the successor to Dillinger in criminal notoriety was handcuffed and too scared to talk, Mr. Hoover was asked who now was Public Enemy No. 1. The head of the G-men explained that these thugs have no rating in the department. "They are just yellow rats to us."

That is the correct tag. The legend melodrama bestowed on them connoted a measure of belligerency, a quality of animal courage and recklessness they don't possess. They are public enemies in the sense of ghouls. They kill as assassins, with all the odds of numbers and circumstances they can contrive.

"Yellow rats" of the underworld. Attention, Hollywood. Newspapers of the world; please copy.

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CAMPBELL CAPTURED!

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CHICAGO DAILY TIMES

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Harry Campbell, henchman of Karpis, was nabbed by U. S. agents at Toledo, O., flown to St. Paul, with short pause at Chicago for refueling plane. Campbell was not allowed outside the ship here.



J. Edgar Hoover makes another arrest in person.

KARPIS PAL CAPTURED. Harry Campbell, gunman aid of ex-Public Enemy No. 1, is taken into custody by U. S. agents. —Story on page 3.

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(Pictures on page 1)

By M. M. MARBERRY

Heavily shackled with leg irons and handcuffs, Harry Campbell, last of the Barker-Karpis gang, seized in Toledo, O., at 5 o'clock this morning by federal agents, was brought through Chicago by plane on his way to St. Paul to face trial in the \$200,000 Bremer kidnaping.

The specially chartered twin-motored plane swooped down at Municipal airport to refuel on its way from Cleveland to St. Paul. Campbell was not allowed to leave the plane, but federal operatives brought him a light breakfast. Local federal agents, heavily armed, swarmed the airport and kept everyone away from the plane.

Campbell, last of 25 persons indicted or linked by the government with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, was captured just a week after the leader of the bloody Barker-Karpis gang, Alvin Karpis, was arrested in New Orleans.

J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation chief, was on hand for the capture of Campbell this morning in a fashionable residential district in Toledo. He said the gangster had showed "a little resistance," but federal men caught him without firing a shot, just as they had taken Karpis.

With Campbell was arrested his 19-year-old bride, whom he had married under one of his many aliases and who, according to Hoover, "did not know he was a criminal." It was expected she would be released. Shortly after Campbell was caught, agents raided another place where they arrested Sam Coker, minor gangland figure.

PROBE 1934 TIPOFF

Hoover, who left Cleveland for New York, said before his departure that when Karpis and other members of his gang escaped from a trap in Cleveland in 1934, "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politi-

cians and we are now investigating every detail of this angle."

Campbell had been with Karpis when the two shot their way out of a federal trap in Atlantic City. The two had fled north after agents had killed Kate (Ma) Barker and her son, Fred, in a gun battle in Florida. Karpis and Barker disappeared after the Atlantic City battle when they abducted a Pennsylvania doctor to obtain his auto.

MARRIED LAST YEAR

Hoover said his men had learned that Campbell had married at Bowling Green, O., under the name of "Robert Miller" in 1935. It was under this name that he was living with his bride when caught.

Hoover flew to Toledo last night and took charge of the raiding party, as he had directed the actions of the federal men who captured Karpis. They surrounded the two-story apartment building where Campbell was living and caught him and his wife just as they emerged a short time before daybreak.

According to the government, Karpis and Campbell stood guard over Bremer while he was being held for ransom in Bensenville, Ill. Karpis is now held in St. Paul in bail of \$500,000.

MAIL ROBBERY CHARGE

Campbell, also is charged, together with Karpis and Fred Hunter, caught with Karpis in New Orleans, with the \$46,000 machine gun mail robbery last Nov. 7 at Garrettsville, O.

Coker, who gave his age as 40 and his home as Nowata, Okla., was being held in Cleveland for Oklahoma authorities as a parole violator. A 30-year Oklahoma sentence for bank robbery still stands against him. He, too, was caught without a struggle and Hoover reported that "great precaution had been used" because the two old people with whom he lived were suffering from heart trouble.

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\$1,000 REWARD FOR KARPIS PAL

Oklahoma City, May 6 (AP).—Gov. E. W. Mariand has authorized a reward of \$1,000 for information leading to arrest and conviction of Harry Campbell, alleged companion of Alvin Karpis, recently captured at New Orleans. Col. C. W. Daley, Oklahoma crime bureau superintendent, said Campbell was charged with many of the crimes with which Karpis was charged, and that Oklahoma operatives had been watching eastern Oklahoma and especially Tulsa, Campbell's home.

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G-MEN LAUNCH KARPIS MOP-UP IN THREE CITIES

In St. Paul and New Orleans—and possibly in Chicago—squad of heavily armed "G-men" were reported ready to strike last night in the first of a series of "mop-up" raids against accomplices of Alvin Karpis, confessor to \$300,000 worth of kidnappings.

Chicago became a possible scene of action on the strength of whispers that Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Chicago dentist-physician who is said to have performed plastic surgery on Karpis, was NOT dumped into Lake Erie by gangsters, as generally believed, but is still alive.

PHYSICIANS' HUNTED.

Support for this story was seen in the statement by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, that "physicians" are among the aids of Karpis who are hunted, and in Hoover's assertion that Dr. Moran was the one who "lifted" Karpis' face.

PLEDGED TO SECRECY.

The agents revealed that the Hamm kidnapers seemed to learn repeatedly what their pursuers were going to do, though the policemen who were working with the federal men were pledged to secrecy.

As St. Paul awaited the expected spectacular disclosures, New Orleans agents sped away to an undisclosed destination with Ruth Robinson, the attractive red-haired woman who was captured with Karpis and Fred Hunter last Friday.

Only a short time later Hoover announced in Washington that he had ordered the woman released.

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R. E. JOSEPH

WOMAN SEIZED WITH KARPIS IS FREED BY U. S.

Washington, D. C., May 5.—[Special.]—The release of Ruth Robinson, the red haired woman seized by federal agents with Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter in New Orleans Friday night, was announced here today by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice. He said no charges will be placed against her.

Hunter is being held to face charges of harboring Karpis and participation in a mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O. Hunter has been held prisoner in the New Orleans federal building ever since his capture.

Both Hunter and Miss Robinson had been questioned repeatedly from Friday night until early this morning by New Orleans federal agents.

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MARLAND PUTS \$1,000 ON HEAD OF KARPIS PAL

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G-MEN GET CAMPE LAST OF KARPIS G.

**PRISONER PLACED
ON AIRPLANE FOR
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Harry Campbell.

Hoodlum Is Wanted There in Bremer Kidnaping of 1934.

HIS WIFE ALSO SEIZED

J. Edgar Hoover Personally Directs Raid on Toledo Apartment.

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TOLEDO, May 7.—Harry Campbell, last fugitive of the Karpis-Barker gang of hoodlums, was captured at dawn Thursday in a raid personally directed by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation.

Hoover and his aides put Campbell aboard a chartered plane bound for St. Paul, where he is wanted in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul brewer, in January, 1934.

Hoover and his investigators slipped in and out of Toledo quietly. They encountered little resistance when they broke into his front apartment on the second floor of a store-building.

His Wife Is Held.

With Campbell was his 22-year-old wife. She was held for questioning, but was not placed under arrest.

Hoover said he doubted that she knew her husband's identity. They were married a year ago in Bowling Green, O. Campbell used the name "Bob Miller," the same name under which he lived here.

Half an hour after Campbell was captured, Hoover arrested Sam Coker, Oklahoma convict and an associate of Alvin Karpis, who was captured in New Orleans last Friday night.

Coker was living with an aged couple suffering from heart trouble and Hoover used extreme precaution not to excite them. Coker will be returned to Oklahoma for parole violation.

Believe Doctor Slain.

Hoover disclosed after the two raids that Dr. Joseph Moran of Chicago, who altered the fingerprints of the Karpis-Barker gangsters and performed plastic surgery on their faces, is believed to be "at the bottom of Lake Erie."

"We are not checking him off our list yet," Hoover remarked. "But we believe gangsters killed him in fear he would 'squeal'."

Hoover reported he met slight resistance when he and his agents broke into Campbell's apartment. The officers found \$2,900 in cash, a revolver and six clips of cartridges in the apartment.

Hoover said Campbell had been living in Toledo five months, almost

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CAMPBELL, LAST OF KARPIS GANG, TAKEN BY G-MEN

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constantly since the Garrettsville, O., mail robbery last November.

Flee From Washington.

Hoover flew to Toledo from Washington Wednesday night to make the raid Thursday morning. He said Karpis and Campbell were the two who stood guard over Bremer while he was held captive.

Coker was serving a 30-year term for bank robbery in Oklahoma when he was paroled. Coker was taken to the Cleveland department of justice office to await return to Oklahoma for parole revocation.

Hoover said Coker had been associated with the Karpis-Barker mob, but did not participate either in the Bremer kidnaping or the Garrettsville mail robbery. Coker is 40 years old. His home is at Nowata, Ok.

The building in which Campbell was taken was a 2-story store building. Four apartments were on the second floor above a delicatessen. Campbell lived in one of the front apartments.

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G-MEN HOLDING KIN OF HUNTER

CLEVELAND, May 2.—(AP)—The father and a brother of Fred Hunter, arrested with Alvin Karpis at New Orleans, and a waitress in the brother's beer parlor were held incommunicado in the Warren, O., city jail today.

Federal authorities said they sought to learn the disposition of loot of \$46,000 taken in the Garrettsville, O., mail train robbery last Nov. 7.

Postal Inspectors Sylvester Hettrick, of Cleveland, and H. W. Tavenner, of Youngstown, asserted that Hunter lived until a few years ago at Warren, where police knew him as a professional gambler.

The three held at Warren were George Hunter, the father, who lives on a farm near Warren; Albert Hunter, the suspect's brother, operator of a tavern and a steel mill worker, and Mary Yoho, a waitress in Hunter's establishment.

Police indicated none of these was under direct suspicion, but they were in custody to enable federal men to search their homes and the beer parlor.

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G-MEN CAPTURE LAST FUGITIVE OF KARPIS GANG

Harry Campbell Surrenders With Little Resistance After Raid on Toledo Hide-Out Led by J. Edgar Hoover.

ONE OF MEN WHO GUARDED KIDNAPED ST. PAUL BREWER

Sent by Plane to Minnesota—Agents Find \$2,900 Cash and Pistol—Also Seize Former Minor Member of Mob.

CLEVELAND, May 7.—(U. P.)—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the federal bureau of investigation, announced today that Harry Campbell, only remaining member of the Karpis-Barker gang, was captured in Toledo early this morning.

Hoover, leading a large force of federal agents, arrested Campbell personally, brought him to Cleveland in a chartered plane and then sent him to St. Paul under guard of federal agents.

Hoover said only slight resistance was encountered when he and his agents broke into Campbell's second floor apartment. They found a woman who Hoover said was Campbell's wife in the apartment with him.

The woman was brought to Cleveland but was not placed under arrest.

Investigators found \$2,900 in cash, a pistol and six clips of cartridges in the apartment.

Hoover said Campbell had been living in Toledo five months, almost constantly since the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery last November. He had been in and out of Toledo for the last eighteen months.

One of Guards Over Bremer.
Hoover flew to Toledo from Washington last night. The raid was staged quietly this morning. Hoover said Karpis and Campbell were the two who stood guard over Edward Bremer, St. Paul brewer, while he was held captive.

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St. Louis, Missouri;
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In another raid at Toledo federal agents captured Sam Coker, on parole from the Oklahoma state prison at McAlester, where he was serving a thirty-year term for bank robbery. Coker is held here in the Department of Justice office and will be returned to Oklahoma for parole violation.

Hoover said Coker had been associated with the Karpis-Barker mob, but did not participate either in the Bremer kidnaping or the Garrettsville mail robbery.

Married Year Ago.
Campbell was married, Hoover said, in May, 1935, at Bowling Green, Ohio. He did not believe Campbell's wife knew who Campbell was.

The building in which Campbell was taken was a two-story store building. Four apartments were on the second floor above a delicatessen. Campbell lived in one of the front apartments. Hoover said Campbell had been living in Toledo under the name of Bob Miller. He also was married under that name, the marriage certificate found in the apartment showed.

Coker's age was listed as 40 and his home at Nowata, Okla. He was captured in an old residence where he was residing with an aged couple. Federal agents were forced to use extreme caution in capturing Coker because both old people are suffering from heart disease.

Few Big Gangsters Free.
WASHINGTON, May 7.—(U. P.)—Arrest of Harry Campbell today in Toledo came less than a month after Attorney General Cummings had posted a "price" of \$2,500 for his capture. J. Edgar Hoover said the reward would not be paid, giving entire credit to the G-men.

With the arrest last week of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans, Campbell was first on the list of criminals at large that the department of justice sought. He was a minor member of the gang which operated in the midwest in the post-Dillinger gangster days. His most spectacular escapade was carried out last year when he and Karpis shot their way to freedom from an Atlantic City hotel hide-away.

Of the one-time "big shots" in gangland, the G-men have captured all but T. H. Robinson, Jr., sought for the kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Stahl in Louisville, and William Mahan, wanted for the kidnaping of little George Weyerhaeuser.

Bremer Kidnaping:

Campbell Seized In Toledo Hideout

Last of Karpis Gang Run Down By G-Men

ST. PAUL, May 7 (AP).—

In a capture that was almost identical with that of his erstwhile gang chief Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, last uncaught principal of the Barker-Karpis gang, was seized at dawn today in Toledo, Ohio. He was bundled into an airplane and whisked here for questioning about a long series of kidnappings and robberies.

Not a trigger was squeezed as Government officers led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Bureau of Investigation, closed in on the only remaining fugitive from the 25 persons accused by the Department of Justice of implication in the \$200,000 abduction here in 1934 of Edward G. Bremer.

Pistol Seized

"Campbell showed a little resistance" said Hoover, intimating his quarry reached for a gun. But the heavily armed Federal men who had surrounded the Toledo apartment building during the night, pounced on the long sought limping outlaw this morning as he emerged and snatched his .45 calibre pistol from his pocket.

Then following the same procedure which they initiated last Friday night after the arrest of Karpis in New Orleans, Hoover's men shackled their prisoner with leg irons and handcuffs, hurried him to a chartered "flying patrol wagon" and sped him here with only a ten-minute stop at Chicago Municipal Airport en route.

On his arrival in St. Paul, U. S. District Attorney Sullivan announced bail of \$500,000 would be asked for the gangster when he is arraigned on the kidnap charge. This would equal the largest bail ever asked in a criminal case that sought from Karpis in the Bremer and William Hamm, Jr., kidnappings.

Girl, 19, Arrested

A 19-year-old girl claiming to be Campbell's wife and Sam Cokar, a minor member of the now broken Karpis-Barker mob, were nabbed also but were not brought here with him. Cokar was taken in a simultaneous raid on another apartment house in Toledo. The girl was seized with Campbell.

Six Federal men, headed by E. J. Connelley, Cincinnati, escorted Campbell here. They, with four automobiles of agents from the St. Paul office, rushed him from the airport to the Federal building and into the same room where Karpis, now in jail here, was subjected to intensive grilling this week.

Later Campbell will be taken to the same jail where Doc Barker, the Touhy gang, and Tommy Touhy occupied cells.

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From Indianapolis Bureau Office

FATE OF MORAN DEEP MYSTERY OF UNDERWORLD

Plastic Expert "Fixed"
Faces Of Notorious
Public Enemies.

By LEROY F. McHUGH

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CHICAGO, May 5.—Two small scars beneath the ears of Alvin Karpis, recently captured Public Enemy No. 1 were believed today to hold the key to a score of gangland's deepest mysteries.

The two scars—if they could talk—or if Karpis would talk—probably would cast light on the ultimate fate of a shadowy Chicago figure, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, physician extraordinary to Chicago gangsters.

"Doc" Moran, reputed to have put those scars on Karpis in an attempted "face-changing" operation, is said to have been thrown to the bottom of Lake Erie by gangsters near Toledo in 1935, because he had a weakness for drink—and talk.

Believed Dead By Hoover

The story of "Doc" Moran's death in Lake Erie was recently unfolded by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G Men in a magazine article.

Moran was a popular small town boy from Spring Valley, Ill., who made a mistake. He was sent to Joliet penitentiary in 1928 for performing an illegal operation. Then later, when he was freed, the young surgeon, gang gossip had it retouched the faces and healed the wounds of the late John Ham-

ilton, Fred and Arthur Barker, Harry Campbell and many others high on the public enemy list. Suddenly he vanished.

But there are those who knew "Doc" Moran well and who believe he is still alive today.

Not Moran, Says Dentist

One is Dr. Hal C. Billig, prominent dentist of Maywood, where Moran had an office once. Dr. Billig said:

"There is no doubt in my mind that the body found in Lake Erie was not the body of 'Doc' Moran."

"While 'Doc' Moran was in my office building I did much work on his teeth."

"I examined teeth from the body taken from the lake."

"None of the crowns was my work."

"And the teeth were those of a much older man than 'Doc' Moran."

In 1932, when "Doc" Moran came to the office at Maywood and first crossed Dr. Billig's path, he already had strayed far from the ways of the promises of youth.

Tufts Honor Student

Born of a respectable family in Spring Valley, he had been an affable, even a brilliant boy. He had fought in France. He brought home with him a burning ambition. He had seen doctors work under fire. He wanted to be a doctor, himself. So he entered the Tufts Medical school in Boston where, records show, he was an honor student.

He married a Boston society girl and returned to LaSalle, Ill., to practice. There he made his first misstep, and was sentenced to Joliet. In prison he became a friend of Ollie Berg, notorious diamond thief, who is said to have lured the young surgeon permanently to the underworld. He was paroled April 7, 1930. His wife had left him in the meanwhile. That was the "Doc's" background when he met Dr. Billig.

Dr. Billig said he now is convinced that Moran was installed in the Maywood office by the gang that shot and killed Tim Lynch, head of the General Teamsters and Chauffeurs' union Local No. 782, in an unsuccessful effort to gain control of the union.

Posed as Dentist

The "Doc's" patients, declares Dr. Billig, were of unsavory appearance. While Moran, who posed as a dentist, would hint that he had other talents:

Dr. Billig said he once had bragged:

"Why, I could take off your nose and put it behind your ear."

Before the shooting of Lynch, Dr. Billig said Moran had warned him:

"If I were you, I'd stay in your office. You may hear some shooting. I don't want you to get hurt."

Presumably, there was more loose talk and boasting. Then one day "Doc" Moran disappeared, and was seen no more. Gang whispers had it that "he got his."

Some think the whole story is locked in Karpis' shriveled mind, and that some day he'll talk and the mystery of "Doc" Moran, will be a mystery no longer.

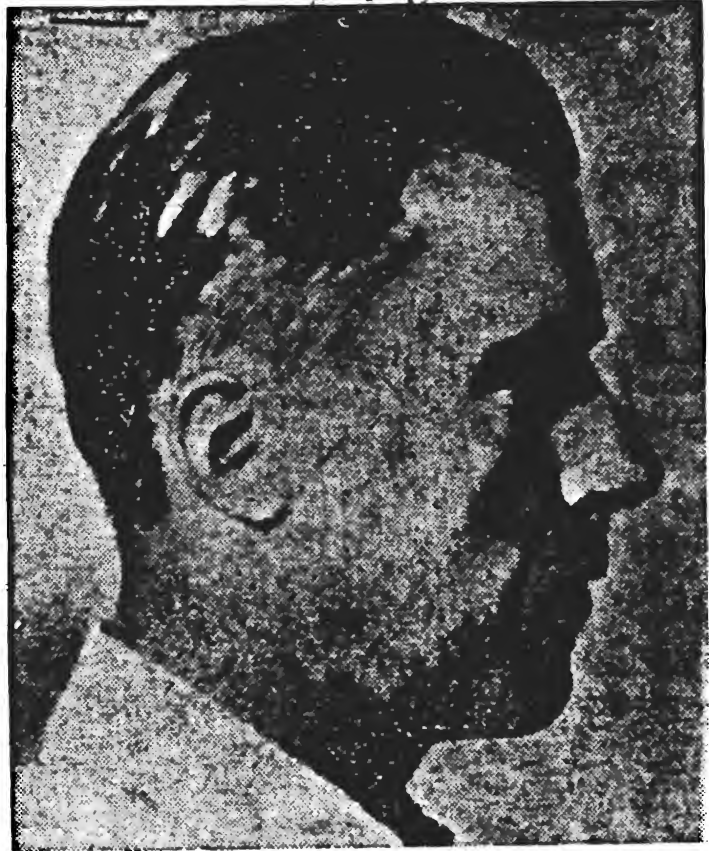
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KARPIS TREMBLES IN CELL.



HIDING HIS FACE, ALVIN KARPIS IS SHOWN IN CUSTODY
OF FEDERAL AGENTS.



A NEW PICTURE OF KARPIS.

In his cell in St. Paul, Minn., Saturday night Alvin Karpis trembled and showed no sign of the bravado that made him "public enemy No. 1." He was caught by federal agents in New Orleans, I

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From Indianapolis Bureau Off.

KARPIS SHAKY; CASE 'AIR TIGHT'

Enemy No. 1 Kept in Escape Proof Jail.

[Pictures on Page Three.]
By United Press.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 2.—Robbed of his bravado and trembling like a man with palsy, Alvin Karpis sat in an "escape proof" jail cell tonight waiting for the law to punish him for crimes which earned him the unofficial title, "Public Enemy No. 1."

"This was the man who said he never would be taken alive," mocked J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation who personally made the arrest in New Orleans Friday night.

"He offered no resistance whatsoever," Hoover said. "He was so nervous he could scarcely talk. His hands were shaking like a leaf and his knees trembled as if he had the palsy."

Karpis was a cringing, beaten man all during the 16-hour airplane trip with 10 G-men in a chartered air liner from New Orleans. His hands rattling the chains that bound him, he stepped about as ordered.

Thrown into the cell after hours of questioning at department of justice headquarters, he muttered bitterly.

Authorities indicated they had an "air tight" case linking Karpis to the kidnaping of William Hamm, jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. Karpis and his late pal, Arthur (Doc) Barker—victim of G-men guns—also are alleged to have kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, of St. Paul.

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Hoover revealed before returning to New York that the killer had attempted to conceal his identity like the late John Dillinger by plastic surgery. A crude operation was performed on his features by a former member of the Barker-Karpis gang, Dr. Joseph Moran, now believed dead.

The lobes of Karpis' ears had been cut and there was a deep scar under his left ear. His fingers had been mutilated.

NEW ARRESTS NEAR.

Hoover Says Those Who Aided Karpis Will be Seized.

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, May 2.—A series of new arrests along the crime trail of Alvin Karpis, captured "public enemy No. 1," was prophesied tonight by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the U. S. justice department's bureau of investigation.

A "diligent search" is under way for "anyone who harbored or aided" the gangster in his long flight from justice, Hoover asserted during a brief stop here on an airplane flight from St. Paul—where Karpis was a prisoner—to New York.

"Doctors, auto mechanics, private airplane pilots, gasoline station attendants and others" are under surveillance, he said, and "arrests will be made."

Hoover said Karpis definitely was known to have used private airplanes in fleeing the law.

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G-MEN NAB NEW 'PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1'



Above are two views of Harry Campbell early today by government, Bremer kidnaping and was flown to St. Paul immediately. Since Kar-
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Karpis's Woman Associate Freed in New Orleans

WASHINGTON, May 5. (AP)—J. Edgar Hoover said today that Ruth Robinson, the red-haired woman seized by Federal agents with Alvin Karpis in New Orleans Friday night, has been released.

He said no charges will be placed against her.

Fred Hunter, arrested at the same time, is being held to face charges of harboring Karpis and also, to face charges in connection with a mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O., in which Karpis is also charged with participating.

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STILL KARPIS.



—Associated Press Photo.

Attempts by Alvin Karpis to alter his facial features through plastic surgery failed. This picture made by federal agents after the desperado's capture in New Orleans, La., shows practically no change from the Karpis of old. Federal men said it was a poor job of face lifting.

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KARPIS FACING WILLIAM HAMM KIDNAP TRIAL

(Picture on back page.)

St. Paul, Minn., May 6.—[Special.]—Alvin Karpis will be arraigned for the kidnaping of both William Hamm and Edward G. Bremer, but will be tried only for the former unless another defendant is captured, District Attorney George F. Sullivan said today. Harry Campbell, charged with the Bremer abduction, is the only fugitive in that case.

Karpis was identified today as the bandit who shot at Donald Nissen, cashier of the Morningside State bank at Sioux City, Ia., during a robbery of the bank on April 20. He also was named as one of the gang that killed a policeman and wounded another in a \$30,000 robbery in St. Paul in 1933. Dakota prosecutors say they have linked Karpis and his gang to the killing of Policeman Miles Cunningham in Chicago in September, 1933.

Fred Hunter, arrested with Karpis in a bloodless coup in New Orleans last Friday, was arraigned in the Louisiana city before United States Commissioner Reginald Carter Jr., and his bond fixed at \$200,000 on a charge of harboring Karpis.



ARRAIGNED—Fred Hunter, seized with Alvin Karpis, in New Orleans yesterday as bond was set.

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THEY KNEW KARPIS AS "MR. O'HARA"—
(Wirephotos).



"A NICE, QUIET LITTLE MAN"—At least that is the way Mrs. J. S. Meyer, manager of the New Orleans apartment in which Karpis lived as "Ed O'Hara," described the desperado seized by federal agents last night.



A SHOCK AND A THRILL FOR THIS BOY—Addison Cole, 17-year-old high school student, was projected into the midst of drama last night as he came upon federal agents just as they seized Karpis.

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HOOVER PREDICTS KARPIS ARRESTS

Search Reported Underway for
Persons Who Harbored No-
torious Outlaw

Chicago, May 2.—(AP)—A series of new arrests along the crime trail of Alvin Karpis, captured "public enemy No. 1," was prophesied tonight by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the U. S. justice department's bureau of investigation.

A "diligent search" was under way for "anyone who harbored or aided" the gangster in his long flight from justice. Hoover asserted during a brief stop here on an airplane flight from St. Paul—where Karpis was a prisoner—to New York.

"Doctors, auto mechanics, private airplane pilots, gasoline station attendants and others" are under surveillance, he said, and "arrests will be made."

Although refusing to say directly how many aides Karpis had, Hoover hinted at the possibility of a large number by pointing out that whereas "there were only five in the actual (Hamm and Bremer) kidnap band, twenty-six persons are now under arrest in the case."

Hoover said Karpis definitely was known to have used private planes in fleeing the law.

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ARRAIGNMENT OF KARPIS SPEEDED

ST. PAUL—(AP)—The federal government Monday planned an early arraignment on kidnaping charges of Alvin Karpis as county authorities at Minneapolis prepared to seek his indictment there for bank robbery and murder.

George F. Sullivan, U. S. district attorney, said Karpis would be arraigned on four kidnaping and conspiracy counts in the abductions of two St. Paul business men, William Hamm, Jr., brewer, and Edward G. Bremer, banker. The time has not been set, but it will be soon, according to Sullivan. The maximum penalty for kidnaping is life imprisonment.

Questioning of Karpis continued Monday as federal agents concentrated on attempting to learn from him additional details of the kidnaping plots and names of other accomplices.

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NEW ARRESTS

Hinted In St. Paul

As G-Men Grill Alleged Associate Of Karpis.

Toledo Chief Orders Police Quiz As Sheriff Defies Federal Critics.

St. Paul, May 8—(UP)—Federal activities in the investigation of Harry Campbell and his chief, Alvin Karpis, tonight indicated new arrests may be pending in the Barker-Karpis gang kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr.

The activities revived reports that one or perhaps two high St. Paul officials had come under suspicion, and that, between Karpis and Campbell, G-men had leads on new suspects in Chicago, Cleveland, and Toledo.

Most significant was believed the announcement of District Attorney George F. Sullivan that the Federal Grand Jury would be summoned for late this month.

Sullivan would not say why, but it was believed Federal authorities wish to move indictments against new suspects before the three-year-old Hamm kidnaping expires under the statute of limitations, June 15.

GRILLING IS CONTINUED.

Campbell began his second sleepless night under a persisting fire of questions from G-men. They stirred the undersized gangster with information that Karpis had revealed his hideout and led to his capture Thursday in Toledo. Federal men considered bringing Campbell and Karpis face to face in the Ramsey County Jail after Campbell's session in the Federal offices is concluded.

THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER
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Toledo, Ohio, May 8—(AP)—

The capture here of Harry Campbell, 36 years old, by Federal agents precipitated an investigation of the City Police Department today as James O'Reilly, Lucas County Sheriff, asserted he had no suspicion that a casual acquaintance he knew as Bob Miller was the notorious gangster.

Police Chief Ray Allen announced members of his department would be questioned to ascertain whether any knew Campbell under his alias while he lived for six months in a modest apartment.

HOOVER REPEATS CHARGE.

J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation Chief, in Washington reiterated a statement yesterday: "I wouldn't cooperate with any department that was corrupt, inefficient, or publicity mad."

Informed of Hoover's statement, Allen replied he was interested only in knowing whether Federal men had evidence of laxity in his department.

O'Reilly, who had disclosed he met Campbell at a cafe through their common interest in a certain breed of dog, replied to reports that Federal action against civil officers was probable.

"The next move is up to the Federal Government, not me. I will not resign."

The girl claiming to have wed Campbell under his alias at Bowling Green, Ohio, said she still loved him. Federal men returned her from Cleveland, where she and Sam

Coxar, Oklahoma parole violator, also arrested here, was taken with Campbell.

Tacoma, Wash., May 8—(AP)—Justice Department agents tonight

informed Federal Court of that William Mahan was ready to make his plea of kidnaping mail extortion charges in connection with the \$200,000 abduction of George Weyerhaeuser.

United States Attorney J. C. Dennis said Mahan would be brought into court at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, before Judge Ward E. Cushman, who sent Mr. and Mrs. Harmon M. Walcott, 45 and 20 years, respectively, to Federal prisons, for their part in the kidnaping.

The prosecutor added he expected nine-year-old George Weyerhaeuser to be the pivotal witness of the state's case if Mahan chose to fight the charges.

San Francisco, May 9—(AP)—United States Attorney H. H. McPike disclosed today the Attorney-General's office in Washington had telephoned to him to ask whether William Mahan's constitutional rights had been "protected" during his arrest here and airplane removal to Tacoma.

McPike said he told the inquirer, Deputy Attorney-General Bryan McMann, that as "far as he knew, they had been."

Asked whether he knew what steps had been taken to determine whether Mahan was willing to waive his right to a removal hearing, McPike said he preferred to make no further comment.

REQUEST IS OMITTED.

United States Commissioner E. E. Williams, before whom all Federal prisoners are brought in usual procedure before being removed from one Federal district to another, said Mahan had not appeared before him, and he had not been asked to take any action in the case.

Hot Springs, Ark., May 8—(AP)—Mrs. Grace Goldstein, thirty-year-old quiet-spoken blonde, said here tonight that she and Alvin Karpis were married in New York City last September 25 and since had lived here under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woods—except for occasional plane trips—until about a week before Karpis's capture at New Orleans last week. She returned here today after an absence of 12 days, saying she had been detained by Federal agents. She said "several" agents took her to St. Paul among a "number of places."

Butte, Mont., May 8—(AP)—Letters William Mahan wrote to a former woman companion, in Butte, may have been the clues that led to his capture in San Francisco yesterday, Sheriff Lawrence Weir said here today.

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WED TO KARPIS LAST SEPT. 25

Blonde Says Marriage Took Place in New York

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 8 (AP)—Mrs. Grace Goldstein, 30-year-old quiet-spoken blonde, said here tonight that she and Alvin Karpis, former Public Enemy No. 1, were married in New York city last Sept. 25.

She said they had been married under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woods and had lived in Hot Springs since that time until Karpis' capture at New Orleans last week.

Mrs. Goldstein told newspapermen she "would rather not say" when asked where she and Karpis were married but said, "It was in New York city during the Baer-Louis fight. I know I shouldn't have fallen in love with him but he was so kind-hearted. All those boys are that way," said Mrs. Goldstein.

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Think Karpis 'Squealed' On Policemen

**Kidnap Suspect To Be
Taken To County Jail
After Revelations To
G-Men.**

Alvin Francis Karpis apparently has told all he knows, for sometime today G-men, in whose custody he has been since Friday evening, will remove him to Ramsey county jail.

He is credited with having confessed to the South St. Paul payroll robbery, the Third Northwestern National bank job in Minneapolis, implicated St. Paul police officers in the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., but despite his alleged confessions state and county authorities will not get a chance to see him until after the government is through with him.

Ban On Interviews

From Washington came strict orders that no one was to see Karpis until he had been turned over to the United States District Atty. George F. Sullivan, who stated flatly that no one is to interview Karpis until after his trial, which is expected to be during the fall term of federal district court.

If Karpis decides to stand trial instead of pleading guilty, he may find himself reunited with an old sidekick. It is understood that federal authorities here will bring Arthur (Doc) Barker from Alcatraz to stand trial on the Hamm kidnaping. Barker is now serving a life term for the snatching of Edward G. Bremer.

When federal bureau of investigation agents are ready to remove Karpis to Ramsey county jail today he will be turned over to the United States marshal who in turn will take him into the clerk's office for the arrangement of bail.

Wanted On Other Charges

Under indictment on four counts, two each in the Bremer and Hamm kidnaping, Karpis was to furnish \$400,000 bond to gain freedom on the St. Paul charges. Although there are no detainers on hand yet it is expected that Karpis would be jumping from the frying pan into the fire as Missouri, South St. Paul, Minneapolis, Cleveland and Philadelphia are ready to grab him and the crimes in Missouri, South St. Paul and Minneapolis murder charges and there is no bail.

Hunter Arraigned.
In the meantime at New Orleans, where Karpis was captured last Friday, Fred Hunter, companion, was arraigned before the United States commissioner there on charges of harboring a fugitive. He waived the hearing and in lieu of \$200,000 bond was turned over to the United States marshal there. Hunter also is wanted for a \$46,000 mail robbery in Garrettsville, O. Karpis had a \$2,000 reward placed on his head by postal authorities as a result of his participation in the Garrettsville stickup.

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G-MEN

CAPTUR

KARPIS

ENEMY NO. 1 ARRESTED IN NEW ORLEANS

Desperado Surrenders Without
Firing Shot; Mail Bandit
and Woman Also Seized

NEW ORLEANS, May
1. — (AP) — The Fed-
eral Bureau of Investi-
gation announced the
capture of Alvin Karpis,
public enemy Number
1, here tonight.

David Magee, head of the bu-
reau of investigation here, said
Karpis was captured in a down-
town apartment with Fred
Hunter, 37, wanted in a huge mail
robbery, and a woman whose
name was not revealed.

He said the three surrendered
to Federal agents about 5:30
p. m. (Central Standard Time),
when called upon to give them-
selves up.

The arrest, Magee said, was at
3343 Canal street. The men were
in an apartment on the first floor
of the building, and were leaving
the house to enter an automobile
when the agents surrounded them.

"The agents called upon them
to surrender, and they were
taken without the firing of a
shot," Magee said.

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LOS ANGELES EXAMINER
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Record of Karpis as Given Out by G-Men

By United Press

Public Enemy Alvin Karpis is suspected by federal agents of participation in the following crimes:

MURDERS

Sheriff C. R. Kelly, West Plains, Mo. (Indicted.)

A. W. Dunlap, father-in-law of his associate, Fred Barker, who is alleged to have been killed as "a favor."

John Loria, Kansas City politician.

The Kansas City Union station massacre in which gunmen shot down a federal agent, three peace officers and their prisoner.

Federal Agent W. Carter Baum.

KIDNAPINGS

Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewer, kidnaped Jan. 17, 1934, and released on payment of \$200,000. (Indicted.)

William Hamm, St. Paul brewer, kidnaped June 16, 1933, and released on payment of \$100,000. (Indicted.)

ROBBERIES

The robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, in which \$16,000 was taken by a gang of machine gun bandits that included, federal agents say, Karpis, Harry Campbell, another hunted gangster and Fred Hunter, who was captured with Karpis in New Orleans. This occurred Nov. 7, 1935.

Innumerable others which, in most cases, federal agents believe Karpis was falsely identified because of the effect of his notoriety on the public imagination.

NAP KARPIS ON TIP OF AUTO SALESMAN

By United Press

NEW ORLEANS, May 2.—Federal agents, as usual, kept secret today the source of the information that led to Alvin Karpis' arrest, but it was said authoritatively that a gossip automobile salesman, Clarence Pucheu, known to his clients and friends as "Duke," had set afloat rumors that reached the G-men.

Rumors circulated that Karpis' woman tipped off the federal agents for the \$7000 reward. But these, like scores of others, were without the least confirmation.

Soon after Karpis arrived in New Orleans, he went to the automobile agency where Pucheu is employed. Pucheu met him at the door.

BUYS AUTO

"Let's don't talk here," said Karpis, casting an apprehensive glance at the big plate glass windows looking into the street.

Pucheu took his strange customer to a back room, where Karpis asked the price of a Plymouth sedan. Pucheu told him.

"All right," said Karpis, "I'll buy one."

He began peeling \$100 bills from a large roll.

Pucheu thought that strange. A few days later his customer had the car serviced for "a trip." Less than a week later Karpis returned the car for another servicing. Pucheu glanced at the speedometer and saw that Karpis had driven almost 2000 miles.

"My," he said, "but you're a fast worker."

"I'm the fastest worker in the United States," said Karpis.

Pucheu thought that even more strange. He talked about his customer to his wife. She suggested that maybe he was a gangster. They talked about the better known gangsters and one or the other suggested that maybe he was Karpis.

TALK WITH FRIENDS

They talked about it with their friends and relatives. One night, while out driving, they saw the Plymouth parked in front of the Canal street apartment house, and they told their friends that the man they believed was Karpis was living on Canal street.

"Why don't you tip off the G-men and get that reward, Duke?" said Mrs. Pucheu.

"I think I will."

But Pucheu procrastinated. Meanwhile, his gossip had resulted in rumors that spread all over New Orleans. As early as Monday, persons, strangers to the Pucheus and their circle of friends, had heard that Karpis was in the city.

Thursday the report reached the G-men. Yesterday afternoon, Karpis was taken into custody.

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LOS ANGELES HERALD-EXPRESS

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E. JOSEPH

CAMPBELL FLOWN HERE ON HOP TO ST. PAUL

Manacled and under a heavy guard of federal operatives, Harry Campbell, one of the last of the Karpis gang, arrested earlier at Toledo, was flown here today aboard a specially chartered TWA airplane, en route to St. Paul.

The plane flying Campbell and his half-score of guards swooped down into Municipal Airport at 10:30 o'clock this morning and taxied across to the west end in front of a TWA hangar.

The ship had hardly stopped rolling when an automobile load of G-men from the Chicago office shot out onto the airport runway and the G-men surrounded the plane.

SHIP OFF WITH RUSH.

After refuelling, the airplane was taxied to the airport traffic control office and took off with a rush, circling and heading into the north.

Officials of TWA, the airport and the local office of the federal bureau of investigation refused to answer questions concerning the airplane or its destination.

The capture of Campbell, two weeks after the government offered a \$2,500 reward for information leading to his arrest, brought one of the toughest of the Karpis gang into custody.

LIKE WILL-O'-THE-WISP.

Campbell, like the will-o-the-wisp he was despite his broken

leg which earned him the nickname of "Limpy," flitted in and out of the middle western newspapers after his sensational dash for freedom with Karpis from a police trap in New Jersey.

Federal agents and local police trapped Karpis and Campbell in a second rate hotel in Atlantic City, but when they sought to close in and arrest the pair the outlaws shot their way to freedom.

Since that time Campbell had been "tentatively identified" as the bandit slain in two different Missouri holdups, but the identifications later were proved false.

GANGSTERS 'TRAIL' LOST.

Campbell was also sought in connection with the holdup of the State Bank of Trivoli, near Peoria, but police changed their search after one of the victims of the holdup positively identified a convict from Michigan as the leader of the gang which held up the bank.

An automobile believed to have carried Karpis and Campbell across the country after they escaped a police trap in the East was found abandoned near Monroe, Mich., but all traces of the criminals were lost.

Campbell, the "torpedo" of the Karpis mob was 36, and bore several scars, mementoes of his brushes with the law.

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SOUTH BEND TRIBUNE
May 8, 1936
From Indianapolis Bureau Office

KARPIS WOMAN WHISKED AWAY

Federal Men Drive
Off With Ruth
Robinson.

By Associated Press.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 6.—

The mysterious "woman in white" in the Karpis case passed out of the picture here with an improvised hood over her head. The hood was the heavy, black cover for an office typewriter.

She left Tuesday with David W. Magee, agent in charge of the federal bureau of investigation here and a group of his agents in an automobile and nothing has been seen of her since.

Agents of the federal bureau denied reports that she put Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, on the spot at his apartment in New Orleans where she posed as his wife under the names of "Mr. and Mrs. Eddie O'Hara."

Karpis, the woman and another man were arrested last Friday by a small army of federal operatives led by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the bureau in Washington.

The woman's identity was never disclosed here but Hoover said her name was Ruth Robinson; or Ruth something else from Arkansas. Hoover said in Washington today that the woman had been freed and that there were no charges against her.

Karpis was rushed to St. Paul by airplane where he is charged with the kidnappings of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm, jr., for whom ransoms totalling \$200,000 was paid.

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KARPIS WILL PLEAD GUILTY

St. Paul, May 4. (AP)—District Attorney George F. Sullivan said today he would ask bail of \$400,000, believed to be the largest amount ever demanded in this country, when Alvin Karpis is arraigned on charges of kidnaping Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm.

St. Paul, May 4. (INS)—A cowed and cringing Alvin Karpis is expected to plead guilty tomorrow, International News Service was informed by a reliable source today, when arraigned on charges of conspiracy in the \$100,000 ransom kid-

napping of William Hamm, Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. All his swagger and bravado gone, Karpis was locked up in the Ramsey County jail today after a severe 48 hour grilling by federal agents.

The thoroughly tamed badman talked freely, it was learned, concerning the bank robberies, mail robberies, kidnapings and murders with which he is charged.

The one-time champion marble-shooter of Topeka, Kas., who turned to shooting up banks has provided "G" men with a vast amount of information, it was reported.

As a result, it was learned from an unimpeachable source, a sensational roundup of camp followers of the Karpis-Barker mob is in the offing and will include prominent politicians and police executives.

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KARPIS LOSES BRAVADO

Public Enemy Trembles in St. Paul Cell.

By United Press.

ST. PAUL, May 2.—Robbed of his bravado and trembling like a man with palsy, Alvin Karpis sat in an "escape-proof" jail cell Saturday night waiting for the law to punish him for crimes which earned him the unofficial title, "public enemy No. 1."

"This was the man who said he never would be taken alive," mocked J. Edgar Hoover, dynamic chief of the federal bureau of investigation, who personally made the arrest in New Orleans Friday night.

Authorities indicated they had an "airtight" case linking Karpis to the kidnaping of William Hamm, jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. Karpis and his late pal, Arthur (Doc) Barker—victim of G-man guns—also are alleged to have kidnaped Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul.

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KARPIS GRILLING GOES ON

FEDERAL AGENTS SEEK INFORMATION ON GANGSTER'S AIDS.

Government Turns Its Attention to Those Who Helped "Public Enemy No. 1" in Long Flight From Law.

(By the Associated Press.)

ST. PAUL, MINN., May 3.—A secret quiz of Alvin Karpis, "public enemy No. 1," was continued today by federal agents determined to draw from the gangsters' own lips a list of those who aided his 2-year flight from the law.

A heavy guard barred the federal court building doors behind which Karpis was hustled after being flown here from New Orleans to answer kidnapping charges.

The department's determination to make a decisive mop up of the Karpis-Barker gang's camp followers was announced by J. Edgar Hoover, investigation bureau chief. Before leaving for New York, he predicted arrest of some Karpis harborers and friends.

How soon the captured public enemy would be turned over to the United States marshal for arraignment and imprisonment was still undetermined, although Hoover said arraignment on the William Hamm kidnapping charge might come tomorrow.

Karpis was questioned in the department of justice office, where other members of his notorious gang previously had faced their captors, some to talk and others to be shunted along to Alcatraz prison for life.

Of more than two score persons originally indicted in connection with the kidnappings of Hamm and Edward G. Bremer, members of two of the

wealthiest families in the Northwest, only one man remained free—Harry Campbell, lame outlaw last seen with Karpis in Atlantic City.

Hennepin County authorities said tonight they would seek the indictment of Karpis in connection with the slaying of two policemen and a motorist in the holdup of Minneapolis's Third Northwestern National Bank in 1932.

PLANNED TO RAID BUILDING.

Karpis Saved Officers the Trouble—Chance for Trial in Missouri.

(By the Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 3.—J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, whose life had been threatened by Alvin Karpis, disclosed today that he was preparing to lead personally an armed assault on the front entrance of the gangster's New Orleans apartment when the desperado appeared Friday night with two companions and was captured.

Hoover said other groups of agents had been posted to guard three other exits to the building. The Hoover party was driving a half block past the structure preparatory to returning on foot for the frontal attack to be prefaced by a surrender demand and gas bombs.

"We'd have killed him if he'd tried to shoot it out, but he didn't get a chance," Hoover said.

If convicted of the kidnapping of William Hamm, St. Paul brewer, and put under life sentence, Karpis may then be turned over to the state of Missouri for trial on a charge of murdering a sheriff at West Plains.

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Face Lifted



ALVIN KARPIS.

An idea of how Alvin Karpis tempted to alter his appearance, be gained from this picture of former Public Enemy No. 1, being held here for the \$100,000 naping of William Hamm Jr. white line on his head indicates of the scars made in the cours a face-lifting operation, while teration made on the lobe of ear also may be seen to some tent.

RED-HAIRED GIRL MEANTIME IS TURNED LOOSE

Typewriter Cover Shields Her as She Quits New Orleans "Prison."

HUNTER STILL QUIZZED IN BIG ROBBERY CASE

Questioning of Alvin Karpis by G-men neared an end today in St. Paul, 90 hours after the public enemy No. 1 was nabbed in New Orleans.

Red-haired Ruth Robinson, the 21-year-old "woman in white" who was arrested with Karpis, was spirited by government agents out of the New Orleans federal building this morning to an unannounced destination. A black typewriter cover hooded her head to shield her face from view.

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, told the Associated Press in Washington that she has been released and no charge will be placed against her.

Fred Hunter, caught with Karpis and the young woman, still is held prisoner in the New Orleans federal building as a suspect in the \$46,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery.

CONFESSION REPORTED.

Karpis is reported to have confessed to some of the crimes of which he is charged. He is under indictment as one of the kidnapers of William Hamm, St. Paul brewer, and Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, for a total of \$300,000 ransom.

George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, announced that if Karpis decides to plead guilty he will be arraigned at once, but that if the plea is not guilty the arraignment will be delayed several weeks.

In the latter case, Karpis will be arraigned with Edward Bartholmey of Bensenville, Ill., and Charles J. Fitzgerald of Los Angeles for the Hamm kidnaping.

A conference of federal agents with United States marshal's deputies and Thomas J. Gibbons, Ramsey county sheriff, concerning preparations to lodge Karpis in the Ramsey county jail indicated the grilling of the 26-year-old outlaw was nearly finished.

STILL WORK IN RELAYS.

Federal bureau of investigation agents continued working in relays in quizzing Karpis, who has had little rest since his capture at 5 P. M. Friday. A cot has been provided for him in the Federal building.

The operatives are compiling a chronological history of the desperado's activities. The information is being put on the wire for an immediate checkup of his associates in the various cities in which he lived, particularly Toledo, Cleveland, Chicago, New Orleans, Hot Springs, Ark., and Florida resorts.

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St. Paul Dispatch

5-6-34

\$200,000 BOND SET FOR HUNTER IN NEW ORLEANS

Robber Suspect Nabbed With
Karpis Charged With Har-
boring Desperado.

BELIEVED TO KNOW OF
KIDNAPERS' ACTIVITIES

Bond of \$200,000 was set today for Fred Hunter, associate of Alvin Karpis and captured with the desperado in New Orleans, when he was arraigned before Reginald Carter Jr., United States commissioner, in the Louisiana city.

The news was received here in an Associated Press dispatch which stated that Hunter, a robbery suspect, was arraigned on a charge of harboring Karpis, held here under indictments charging him with the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm and the \$200,000 abduction of Edward G. Bremer, both of St. Paul.

Federal authorities are anxious to hold Hunter because they believe he may throw light on the activities of Karpis and the other alleged kidnapers.

As \$400,000 bond is to be asked for Karpis, bonds for the two men will total \$600,000.

Besides Karpis, those being held here for the Hamm kidnaping are Charles Fitzgerald, former convict named as one of the men who seized the millionaire St. Paul brewer June 15, 1933, and Edward Bartholmey, former postmaster of Bensenville, Ill., in whose home Hamm allegedly was held prisoner. Each is under \$100,000 bond.

Also under \$100,000 bond in the case is Jack Peifer, St. Paul night club proprietor. He recently raised his bond, however, and is at liberty.

George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney here, said today Karpis will be arraigned for both the Hamm and Bremer kidnapings but will be tried only for the Hamm abduction unless another Bremer defendant is captured in the meantime. The prosecutor apparently referred to Harry Campbell, Karpis' companion, who is charged only with the Bremer abduction.

Meanwhile agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who have been making a series of secret investigations in St. Paul the past few days, gathered today in the Federal building, checked up their arsenal and oiled their machine guns. Rumors about the building were that the G-Men were planning a raid, but no opinions were ventured as to its objective.

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Fred Hunter Expected to Face Mail Robbery Charges in Ohio

Fred Hunter, companion of Alvin Karpis, probably will be taken to Ohio to answer mail robbery charges at Garrettsville, the Associated Press reported today.

Arrested Friday in New Orleans with Karpis, alleged kidnaper of William Hamm and Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul, Hunter was arraigned there this morning before a United States commissioner, who set his bond at \$200,000 on a charge of harboring Karpis in the Louisiana city.

A later Associated Press dispatch said Hunter waived extradition and probably will be taken to Ohio by a postal inspector from Cincinnati. Meanwhile he is being held by Philip Alvarez, United States marshal.

The message added that Hunter was taken before the commissioner shackled with leg chains and seemed extremely nervous. He hid his face with a handkerchief during most of the hearing, the dispatch added.

Karpis was brought to St. Paul immediately following his arrest with Hunter and is held here awaiting arraignment in federal court.

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BREKID.

Crippled Karpis Aide
Seized by G-Men in Ohio

By Post State Wire.

CLEVELAND, May 7.—Harry Campbell, crippled partner of the notorious Alvin Karpis, wanted in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker in 1934 and in the \$46,000 Garrettsville, O., mail train robbery, was captured today in Toledo by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, and other agents.

Mr. Hoover, in Cleveland this morning, revealed that the Karpis-Campbell gang had hid out in Cleveland in the summer of 1934 and had been tipped off to plans for a federal raid by "politicians with police connections."

Mr. Hoover also disclosed that Dr. Joseph Moran of Chicago, who altered the fingerprints of the Karpis-Campbell gangsters and performed plastic surgery on their faces, is reported to be at the "bottom of Lake Erie."

He said he had heard that the gangsters killed the physician and surgeon for fear he would "squeal."

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Toledo Sheriff Who Drank With Outlaw Knew Karpis Gunman 'Only as a Friend'

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By Post State Wire.

TOLEDO, May 8.—Sheriff James O'Reilly today reiterated his claims of innocence in connection with his admitted acquaintance with Harry Campbell, Karpis gangster, captured by G-men in Toledo yesterday. "I can take it," he told a reporter late last night as Toledo hummed with news of his five months' friendship with the gangster.

Despite the fact that his own bulletin board carried pictures of the wanted Campbell, the sheriff said he had been drinking beer with Campbell, known to him and Toledo as "Bob Miller," at the Comet Grill, near Campbell's apartment, for many months.

"I never have seen a picture of Campbell," the sheriff said, adding: "Had I had the slightest suspicion of who he was he would have been behind the bars long ago."

Meanwhile, in Washington, J. Edgar Hoover, G-man chief, was issuing a statement promising a full investigation of connections between politicians and the Karpis-Campbell gangsters and charging openly that crooked Cleveland politicians had tipped off the gang when Department of Justice men planned a raid there during 1934.

In the Hoover statements, however, there was no indication that any Toledo official was uppermost in his mind.

Toledoans, in the meantime, eagerly awaited a number of possible developments.

There were:

1. What, if any, action will the Department of Justice take with reference to the friendship between O'Reilly and Campbell, or "Bob Miller," as the sheriff knew him.
2. What, if any, action will the Department of Justice take with

reference to Toledo Police Chief Ray Allen's demand to know why Hoover chose to ignore the Toledo police in making the arrest thus implying that the Toledo officers could not be trusted.

3. What, if any, action will be taken, either by the department, or locally, with reference to Hoover's statement that Dr. Joseph Moran, Chicago surgeon, who was the face and finger-fixer for the gang, was "taken for a boat ride" and drowned in Lake Erie, "out of Toledo."

Hoover's statement of the boat ride that was given by the Karpis-Campbell gang to Dr. Moran was the first revelation of the fact that the gangsters had murdered a man near Toledo.

It came presumably from Karpis, whom Hoover grabbed in New Orleans May 1, and who gave the federal officers the information as to Campbell's hide-out in Toledo.

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Face Lifting Fails



Federal agents in St. Paul released this picture of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, showing that a face lifting operation failed to change his appearance. The picture, made after the desperado's arrest in New Orleans, led agents to term the operation a very poor job. (Associated Press Photo).

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KARPIS' PAL HELD UNDER HEAVY BAIL

Girl Captured With Public
Enemy Is Freed
Secretly.

NEW ORLEANS, May 6.—(AP)—Fred Hunter, mail robbery suspect arrested here last Friday with Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, was placed in Federal prison under \$200,000 bond today on a charge of "harboring and concealing" the much wanted criminal.

The charge was filed before United States Commissioner Reginald H. Carter, Jr., by District Attorney Rene Vlosca. Hunter refused to enter a plea and waived preliminary hearing.

The girl arrested with Hunter and Karpis was secretly released yesterday and dropped from sight. Hoover said her name was Ruth Robinson and that no charge would be placed against her.

Hunter is a suspect in the \$40,000 robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 4, 1935.

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HOOVER 'ANSWERED' THREATS BY KARPIS

Took Part in Capture Because Gunman Had Planned to Kill Him

By WALTER WINCHELL

(Copyright, 1936, Universal Service, Inc.)
 New York, May 4.—The "inside" on why J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G-Men, personally supervised the capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans was because "Public Rat No. 1" (as Hoover calls him) had threatened to shoot and kill Hoover on sight.

Then, too, Senator McKellar of Tennessee, at a recent hearing in Washington concerning appropriations for the federal bureau of investigation, heckled Hoover with:

"Tell me, Mr. Hoover—did you ever make an arrest?"

From reliable information this reporter learned that when Karpis was cornered exiting from his apartment in New Orleans, the bank burglar and murderer sarcastically said:

"I see we've met."
 "Yes," said Hoover, "and if my memory serves you were going to kill me."

"I would have," replied Karpis, "if I had the chance."

May Get "Break"

The jailing of Karpis in St. Paul where he will stand trial for the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., for \$100,000 ransom may give Karpis "the break." If found guilty Karpis will get a life term at Alcatraz, instead of death in Missouri, where he is charged with murdering a sheriff.

"Are you glad it is all over?" Hoover asked Karpis in the plane bound for St. Paul.

Karpis replied that he intended to fight the charges because "the longer I fight it, the longer it will be before I go to Alcatraz."

In the car that took Karpis to the federal bureau's offices in New Orleans, he turned to the girl captured with him and said:

"You see! If you listened to me you wouldn't be in this."

Karpis explained to the G-Men that he had urged Ruth Robinson, nicknamed "Connie," an Arkansas girl, to "go home" two days before the capture.

Explains Reason for Crime

"And Hunter's a dope, too," said Karpis. "I told him to take in the baseball game. If he'd done that you wouldn't have nailed him, either."

"I've seen too many people hungry and without jobs," he answered, "and I made up my mind a long time ago that I wouldn't be like them."

The apartment in which Karpis, Hunter and the Robinson girl lived "was appointed in extravagant taste," said a G-man. "It was lucky for passersby that we got Karpis without firing a shot, for the crowd was as thick as the crowds you see at 42d and Fifth avenue during the rush hour. We might have hurt someone by shooting."

When they asked him about the 16 bank burglaries, the four mail robberies, three kidnaps and four murders, of which he stands accused, Karpis was stubborn in answering.

"Why Don't You Kill Me?"

"You're going to kill me, anyway," he said, trembling. "so why talk? Why don't you kill me now and get it over with?"

"No one is going to bother you," he was told, "unless you get fresh. We don't kill people unless they start killing first. Besides, you've seen too many G-men movies!"

The government men believe that a plastic surgeon who did a poor job on Karpis' facial renovation was murdered "and thrown into Lake Erie." Not because his surgery didn't click, it was said, but because "he started talking when he was drunk, which was often."

When they were taking Karpis from the New Orleans offices to the airport, the car stopped for the traffic signals at a corner where a newsboy offered a newspaper to Karpis (whom he didn't recognize) and said:

"Paper! Read all about Public Enemy No. 1 being captured!"

Other Arrests Due

Karpis turned to Hoover, smiled and said:

"Would you be so kind as to read it to me? I want to go to sleep."

The arrest of Karpis, it was pointed out, doesn't "end this case."

There will be several arrests in various cities of venal politicians (some police executives) who harbored and abetted Karpis and his henchmen.

"A lot of them are sick to the middles," remarked a G-man, "fretting already. Karpis is going to have the pleasure of their company again—very soon."

The Robinson girl was not living with Karpis—she was the companion of Hunter.

Karpis told his captors he had given up "steady girl friends." They were so much excess baggage when "you are in a hurry," he said.

Politics Real "Public Enemy"

"Who was the 'Woman in Red' in this case?" a reporter asked Hoover here.

"There was none," Hoover replied.

"Since you have captured Karpis who is Public Enemy No. 1 now he was asked. Hoover laughed.

"Old Man Politics," he replied quickly. "He is now, he was and always will be Public Enemy No. 1."

locally, in the states and national. It's only the papers that num the public enemies."

Someone mentioned Hoover's going in secretly and superceding local police authorities when working on a case.

"We always try to co-operate with local authorities," Hoover explained.

"If one or more of three factors are not present. These are: Inefficiency, dishonesty and publicity-made police officials."

Hoover said he came here to fish several cases on which he was working when he got the call advising him Karpis had been located.

He declined to name the cases, but said his department was doing nothing in the Wendel case in Brooklyn "as it is being handled satisfactorily."

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Campbell's Mother Weeps Over Arrest

TULSA, Okla., May 7 (I.N.S.).
Harry Campbell's mother, Mrs. G.
C. Campbell, wept at her home to-
day as she listened to radio reports
of her son's capture. She said:
"He's been the heartbreak of
our lives."

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Karpis Was Known To His Friends by Variety of Names

Topeka, Kas., May 2 (AP).—Alvin Karpis was known to his friends by many names:

His real one—Raymond Karpawics—became Alvin Karpis and later Alvin.

His nicknames, and why:

"Slim"—Because of his build.

"Old Creepy"—Because he got on the nerves of his henchmen.

"Chi"—Because he talked so much about his favorite city, Chicago.

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AGENTS RAID 'PUBLIC RAT'S' TOLEDO HOME

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Harry Campbell, Wanted
In Bremer Kidnaping,
Caught Easily

TAKEN TO ST. PAUL
Bride Who Didn't Know
True Identity Found
With Gangster

By The United Press
TOLEDO, May 7—Harry Campbell, one of the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer and last remaining member of the Karpis gang, was captured by G-men here today.

He was the only criminal at large in the United States on whose head the Federal Department of Justice had placed a price.

The department said he was worth \$2500, dead or alive.

J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Bureau of Investigation and chief of the nation's "Government men," personally arrested Campbell in Toledo at 5 o'clock this morning, in a trap as secretly laid and as smoothly closed as that one in which Campbell's ex-boss in crime, Alvin Karpis, was caught last week in New Orleans.

Whisked Away By Plane

Mr. Hoover whisked Campbell to Cleveland by plane, then rushed him off for St. Paul where he will be arraigned and tried for the Bremer kidnaping. Karpis also is in St. Paul awaiting trial in the Hamm kidnaping case.

[William Hamm and Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul brewers, were kidnaped separately several years ago at St. Paul, taken out of the state by the Karpis gang, released on payment of \$200,000 ransom each.]

Campbell had been living in Toledo for five months, Mr. Hoover said, almost constantly since the \$45,000 mail train robbery last November at Garrettsville, near Warren, O., in which he was a suspect.

'Call 'Em Rats,' Hoover Urges

By The United Press

CLEVELAND, May 7—J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, would like to have the nation's most notorious criminals referred to as "Public Rat No. 1." "Criminals are very vain," he told newsmen in announcing the capture of Harry Campbell, member of the Karpis-Barker gang. "They like to be called 'Public Enemy No. 1.' I wish newspapers would start calling them 'public rats.'"

William Mahan, kidnaper of 9-year-old George Weyerhauser, now is "Public Rat No. 1," Mr. Hoover said.

"We're after him, and we'll catch him, too," he said.

and has been in and out of Toledo for the past 18 months.

Watched for Few Days

Mr. Hoover flew from Washington to Toledo last night.

He said his men had been watching Campbell for some days, but refused to discuss the possibility that G-men located Campbell after Karpis gave them a tip-off as to his whereabouts.

[A dispatch from St. Paul today quoted a Federal agent as saying Karpis is "entitled to" the Campbell reward money.]

The building in which he was living (Continued On Page 6, Column 1)

CHIEF G-MAN SPRINGS TRAP ON CAMPBELL

Last Member of Karpis Gang
Captured In Surprise
Raid At Toledo

(Continued From Page One)

ing with a 22-year-old bride of a year who didn't know his real identity, was a two-story structure—four apartments above a delicatessen store. Campbell had a front apartment, Mr. Hoover said, and was using the name of Bob Miller, the name under which he was married.

First Federal agents, most of them from the Cleveland office of the Department of Justice, surrounded the building.

Only Slight Resistance

Then Mr. Hoover and several G-men went to the apartment door and burst in.

They encountered only slight resistance, Mr. Hoover said.

There was no shooting.

"He was yellow just like all the rest of them," Mr. Hoover said. "As soon as they see you mean business they wilt."

With Campbell was his bride, who also was taken to Cleveland, but who was not placed under arrest or sent to St. Paul.

A marriage certificate found in the apartment showed she had married Campbell in May last year, at Bowling Green, O. Her maiden name was withheld.

Also found in the apartment were \$2900 in cash, a revolver and six clips of cartridges.

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Woman Sees Raid

The best description of Campbell's capture came from Mrs. eGrald Fossnaught, who lived in the apartment next to his.

"I saw the arrest," she said. "Until then I didn't know the man who had lived next door was a fugitive from justice."

"This morning, about 5 o'clock, I was awakened by sounds."

"I looked out the window and saw four cars pull to the curb. Men were getting out of them, some carrying sawed-off shotguns, and some carrying suitcases."

"Four men remained on the street looking up at the windows of the apartment across the hall from ours. The rest of them, more than a dozen, I thought, came up the stairs hurriedly. Some went down the hall to the back door of the building, while the rest of them stayed in the hall in front of apartment No. 1."

"They pounded on the door."

"A woman's voice answered."

"It was Gertrude Miller's voice."

"What do you want?" she asked."

"We are Federal officers and we're coming in," a man answered."

"Then they beat on the door again. When the door was opened, I heard them file into the room. There were scuffling sounds as if they were moving the furniture around."

In a few minutes, they came out of the door, leading the man I knew as "Mr. Miller." His feet were chained and he was handcuffed to two of the officers."

Parole Violator Also Seized

In a simultaneous raid, Federal agents captured Sam Coker, on parole from the Oklahoma State Prison at McAlester, where he was serving a 30-year term for bank robbery. Coker is held here in the robbery. Coker is held at Cleveland in the Department of Justice office and will be returned to Oklahoma for parole violation.

Mr. Hoover said Coker had been associated with the Karpis-Barker mob but did not participate either in the Bremer kidnaping or the Garrettsville mail robbery.

Mr. Hoover disclosed after the two raids that Dr. Joseph Moran of Chicago, who altered the fingerprints of Karpis and Campbell and performed plastic surgery on their faces, is believed to be "at the bottom of Lake Erie."

"We are not checking him off our list yet," Mr. Hoover remarked, "but we believe gangsters killed him in fear he would squeal."

He said his men will intensify immediately their search for doctors, politicians and others who aided the Karpis-Barker mob.

He disclosed that most of the Karpis gang hid in Cleveland in the summer of 1934. They were tipped off by "crooked Cleveland politicians with police connections" that a Federal raid was planned, and they fled.

Campbell was a minor member of

the Karpis-Barker gang which operated in the Midwest in the Post-Dillinger gangster days. His most spectacular escapade was carried out last year when he and Karpis shot their way to freedom from an Atlantic City hotel hide-away.

He was born at McClintockville, Pa.

Of the one-time "big shots" in gangland, the Government's special agents now have captured all but Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., sought for the kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Stoll in Louisville, and William Mahan, wanted for the kidnaping

of George Weyerhaeuser at Tacoma, Wash.

Karpis Gives Tip That Leads to Capture

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ST. PAUL, May 7—Alvin Karpis, cringing imprisoned gang leader, gave the tip that brought about capture of his chief lieutenant, Harry Campbell, in Toledo, O., a G-man said today.

The Federal man was waiting at St. Paul airport for arrival of the plane bearing Campbell and his captors.

"Is Karpis going to get the \$2500

reward for Campbell's capture?"

"Well," the G-man replied, "he's entitled to it."

Campbell was brought here by plane, transferred to an auto and rushed to the Department of Justice offices.

Karpis is being held at Ramsey County jail on \$500,000 bond.

Hoover's Personal Work Surprises Capital

By The United Press

WASHINGTON, May 7—Considerable interest was aroused here today by the sudden personal activity of J. Edgar Hoover in rounding up criminals.

Testifying before the Senate Appropriations Committee recently, Mr. Hoover admitted he never had actually arrested anyone.

Since that testimony was given, he has participated in the only two major arrests carried out by the bureau—the arrests of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.

The possibility appeared that Mr. Hoover may be taking a more active part because of criticism leveled at him by Senator Kenneth McKellar, (D., Tenn.). It was Mr. McKellar who asked Mr. Hoover about his actual experience.

Rewards for Karpis and Campbell were offered by the Department of Justice early last month, \$5000 for Karpis and \$2500 for Campbell.

Assistant Bureau of Investigation Director Thomas D. Quinn said positively, however, the Bureau did not intend to pay rewards for either Karpis or Campbell, because their arrests were the result of tedious tracking down of clues by Federal agents rather than "tips" from private individuals.

Californians Pursue Man Believed Mahan

By The United Press

RIVERSIDE, Cal., May 7—A search for William Mahan, kidnaper

has begun and leading public enemy since the capture of Alvin Karpis, started here today following a report he had been seen near Indio, Cal.

W. R. Jones, former Los Angeles County deputy sheriff, informed Sheriff Carl F. Reyburn here that he sighted and recognized Mahan last night.

Mahan was driving a dark sedan, Jones said.

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Karpis Faces Kidnap and Murder Cases

U. S. Prosecutor to Ar- raign Public Enemy in Two Abductions

St. Paul, May 4 (AP).—The Govern-
ment today planned an early arraignment
of Alvin Karpis on kidnaping
charges as county authorities at Min-
neapolis moved to seek his indictment
there for bank robbery and murder.

U. S. District Attorney George F.
Sullivan said Karpis would be ar-
raigned on four kidnaping and con-
spiracy counts in the abductions of
two St. Paul business leaders, William
A. Hamm, Jr., brewer, and Edward G.
Brmeer, banker. The time has not been
set, he said, but it would be soon. The
maximum penalty for kidnaping is
life imprisonment.

Protracted questioning of Karpis
continued today as Federal agents at-
tempted to learn additional details of
the kidnaping plots and the names
of other accomplices—particularly the
money changers who handled the
\$100,000 Hamm ransom.

While Karpis was held in the Fed-
eral Building, Ed J. Goff, Hennepin
(Minneapolis) county attorney, an-
nounced he was taking steps to have
the outlaw indicted for murder and
bank robbery in that city.

Goff asserted the charges were based
on Karpis' participation in the holdup
of the Third Northwestern National

Bank in Minneapolis in 1932, when
two policemen and a motorist were
slain by the robbers. Goff said wit-
nesses to the robbery would view Kar-
pis, and if they identify him, the case
would be presented to the grand jury.

Federal agents surrounded their
questioning of Karpis with greatest
secrecy and would not disclose
whether he had made any statements.

In New York, J. Edgar Hoover, chief
of the Federal Bureau of Investiga-
tion, said that if Karpis is found
guilty of kidnaping here, he may also
be tried for the slaying of Sheriff C.
R. Kelley of West Plains, Mo., in 1931.
Missouri authorities said they wanted
Karpis to face the death penalty in
a murder trial there.

Six men, recently indicted with
Karpis in the Hamm case, are in cus-
tody.

Three others are serving prison
terms for the Minneapolis robbery.
One, Lawrence de Vol, former pal of
Karpis, recently became insane in the
penitentiary and was transferred to a
state insane hospital at St. Peter.

The companions seized with Karpis
last Friday—Fred Hunter and a wo-
man whose name was given as Ruth
Robinson—were held at New Orleans.

Hoover said the trio was taken
without a struggle. He added: "We'd
have killed him (Karpis) if he'd tried
to shot it out, but he didn't get a
chance."

He described Karpis as a "yellow
rat."

Hunter is wanted in connection
with the \$34,000 Garrettsville, O.,
mail robbery. Hoover indicated the
Robinson woman could not be held
unless it could be shown that she
had aided or harbored Hunter or
Karpis. Reports from New Orleans
indicated that the woman had
"talked," but no details were dis-
closed.

Karpis, Shorn of Bravado, Now Like Man With Palsy

Public Enemy No. 1, Who Boasted He Would
Never Be Taken Alive, Trembles in
'Escape Proof' Cell

By STEVE RICHARDS
United Press Staff Writer

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 2.—Robbed of his bravado and trembling like a man with palsy, Alvin Karpis sat in an "escape proof" jail cell tonight waiting for the law to punish him for crimes which earned him the unofficial title, "Public Enemy No. 1."

"This was the man who said he never would be taken alive," mocked J. Edgar Hoover, dynamic chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who personally made the arrest at New Orleans Friday night.

"He offered no resistance whatever," Hoover said. "He was so nervous he could scarcely talk. His hands were shaking like a leaf and his knees shook as if he had the palsy."

Cringing, Beaten Man

Karpis was a cringing, beaten man all during the 16-hour airplane trip with 10 G-men in a chartered airliner from New Orleans. His hands rattling the chains that bound him, he stepped about as ordered.

Thrown into the cell after hours of questioning at Department of Justice headquarters, he muttered bitterly.

Authorities indicated they had an "airtight" case linking Karpis to the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. Karpis and his late pal, Arthur "Doc" Barker—victim of G-man guns—also are alleged to have kidnaped Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul.

Used Plastic Surgery

Hoover revealed before returning to New York aboard the plane which brought him here with Karpis that the killer had attempted to conceal his identity like the late John Dillinger by plastic surgery. A crude operation was performed on his long-jawed, pasty features by a former member of the Barker-Karpis gang, Dr. Joseph Moran now believed dead.

The lobes of Karpis' ears had been cut and there was a deep scar under his left ear. His fingerprints had been mutilated.

Hoover's tone as he announced details of the public enemy's capture was one of elation. Karpis once wrote to Hoover threatening to kill him so the G-man chief made a personal flight to New Orleans to be in at the finish when he heard Karpis was there a few days ago.

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Campbell Is Last of Karpis Mob at Large

Gangster Is Wanted for Bank Robberies and at Least One Murder

New York, May 2 (AP).—A lone, limping fugitive remained at large today out of the intermeshed gangs of hoodlums who roamed Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas during the depression years as successors of the picturesque two-gun outlaws of the old Southwest.

He was Harry Campbell, henchman of Alvin Karpis who was captured by P. Edgar Hoover and his Federal agents at New Orleans last night.

Campbell, wanted for bank robberies and burglaries, for at least one murder—that of a Tulsa, Okla., criminal lawyer, J. Earl Smith—and for kidnappings, escaped the New Orleans trap.

But he was a solitary figure, with every official hand reaching to land him in a state prison, in the electric chair or in the Federal "Devil's Island"—Alcatraz.

His fellows have gone—died under the guns of the law or landed behind the bars for long terms, many for life.

They were far different from the Dalton, Starr and other bands of two decades ago.

So different were they, in fact, that many in the wealthy midcontinental oil and cattle country have clothed the old timers in an aura of romance.

Not thus the gangsters of the depression era. These have been mowed down or captured, singly and in groups.

Karpis was the latest to be taken.

The records speak for the others: Freddie Barker and his "crime school" teacher-mother, "Ma," were killed by Federal agents at Ocklawaha, Fla.

His brother, Arthur, "Doc," is serving a life sentence in Alcatraz for the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping.

Another brother, Herman Barker, died at Wichita, Kas., either by his own hand or under the guns of officers.

Russell (Rusty) Gibson, Karpis associate in the Bremer case, was killed by authorities. His biggest previous

"job" was the \$75,000 robbery of an Oklahoma City bank messenger about six years ago.

More or less directly associated—through intimacy or similarity of operation—were these:

Glenn Leroy Wright, serving life in Oklahoma's McAlester Prison, became proficient in the bodily removal of safes from small banks at night—to loot them at leisure on a hideaway farm near Mannford, Okla. He was taken there three years ago, and one of his captors was Ed Hollis, Federal agent slain by the late "Baby Face" Nelson. Nine such safes were unearthed where they had been buried on this farm. Wright was believed Campbell's helper in the Earl Smith murder.

Willie (Slippery) Elms, robber now serving a long prison term, got his nickname from frequent jail escapes.

Aussie Elliott, Eldon Wilson and Deubert Carolin, bank and jewelry robbers, died under officers' guns at Sapulpa, Okla., after killing two city policemen in a bloody battle.

Wilbur Underhill, the "Tri-State Terror," was slain by Federal and Oklahoma officers at Shawnee, Okla.

Bob Brady, bank robber, was killed during the pursuit after one of the two spectacular Lansing, Kas., prison breaks of 1932-33.

Jim Clark, bank robber and fellow escapee with Brady, was taken by Kansas State police after patrolman (now lieutenant) Earl Silverthorn lived with his gang for six months, in daily danger of discovery, to gather evidence.

Harvey Bailey, bank robber who led one of the Kansas prison escapes, was linked as the crime dictator who decreed Earl Smith's death for refusal to defend him in his Forst Scott, Kas., bank robbery trial. Bailey was trapped with the Charles F. Urschel kidnaper, Albert Bates, and with Bates and George (Machine Gun) Kelly is serving a life sentence at Alcatraz for the kidnaping.

Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd, the Oklahoma Cookson Hills bank robber and killer, was slain by Federal agents in Illinois as he fled them afoot.

Adam Richetti, Floyd's pal in robberies and in the Kansas city Union Station Plaza massacre, is under conviction for the latter crime.

Verne Miller, the other Plaza massacre killer, was taken for a fatal ride by Detroit hoodlums.

The Texas desperadoes of that era whose names head the list include Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, slain by a Texas Ranger led posse in Louisiana; their associate, Henry Methvin, under sentence of death now for an Oklahoma murder, and Raymond Hamilton, who met legal defeat in Fort Worth.

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G-Men Guard Karpis From Suicide Effort

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 9.—Fearing a suicide attempt by Alvin Karpis, who is at the end of his crimson trail of murders, kidnappings and robberies, Government authorities have assigned a special night and day guard to his cell.

The guards, working three eight-hour shifts, remain outside the cell and check every bit of food that is brought to the prisoner.

Karpis' belt, shoe laces and necktie have been removed. He is permitted a pack of playing cards, but no newspapers or magazines.

The desperado who boasted he never would be taken alive, missed out on that boast when he was captured in New Orleans by G-man chief J. Edgar Hoover without firing a shot.

He will stay alive to be tried for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and the \$100,000 kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., if government precautions can accomplish this.

Harry Campbell, Karpis' partner in the Bremer kidnaping and the Garrettsville, O., \$46,000 mail train robbery, in the meantime was undergoing the same sort of a grilling at Department of Justice headquarters as that which broke Karpis and led him to confess participation in the Bremer and Hamm kidnappings.

Indications were that Campbell, captured in Toledo, was proving

a much more stubborn customer than Karpis, his chief. As a result he was getting his sleep on a chair, while one foot was chained to a radiator and his hands were manacled.

Despite his taciturnity, it was intimated that he had dropped enough information to warrant the Government in recalling the Grand Jury for additional indictments.

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A BOTTLE TRAPS A GANG

HOOVER'S FEDERAL AGENTS FOUND
TELL-TALE FINGERPRINT.

Writer Delves Into Operations of
Uncle Sam's "G-Men" in
War on Karpis-Barker
Band.

How federal agents go into action when they start rounding up a gang of criminals is told here in the first of a series of articles by Lemuel F. Parion, who was privileged to look into the inner workings of the government's crime laboratory in Washington and study the methods of the federal sleuths.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—A fingerprint on a beer bottle started the now complete unraveling of the Barker-Karpis gang. Alvin Karpis, perhaps the cleverest, but not the deadliest of the outfit, is caught, after three years' systematic night and day sleuthing by the federales—meaning, of course, J. Edgar Hoover's G-men.

St. Paul police, after the Hamm kidnaping, were tipped to a gangsters' hide-out. They passed by a pile of beer bottles in the corner. Mr. Hoover's young "book detectives," as some old-line policemen have called them, picked up the print. In crime, as in love and war, one thing leads to another. That fingerprint spelled death or jail for the big, murderous key gang of the Northwest. Karpis, known as "Old Creepy," survived long because he never talked. But the fingerprint did.

THE RECORDS OPENED.

Spending several months in Washington, I asked J. Edgar Hoover to let me "sit in" as a federal agent and learn how his big national fumigating plant worked from the inside. He said, "No." However, he would throw the place wide open, let me see records and operations and enlighten me to the limit on just what Uncle Sam's unique federal bureau of investigation had done and was trying to do.

G-men—there are about 600 of them in the field—were in and out of Washington, reporting at regular intervals for special training, or bringing in some new bit of evidence, to be fitted into a widening mosaic which now provides a fairly complete pattern of criminal personnel and organization throughout America.

Mr. Hoover's four floors in the huge department of justice building are the assembly and fabrication plant for the raw material of evidence which is garnered in some hideout in the woods, in a roadside joint, or perhaps a gaudy Miami, New York or Havana spot. Putting two and two together is the exacting and arduous work of Mr. Hoover's 1,100 employees—these in addition to the valiant 600 in the field.

A COMPARISON TO SCOTLAND YARD.

Just in passing, Scotland Yard has 12,000 men covering the tiny area of metropolitan London, with Mr. Hoover's 1,700 men not suffering in comparison, on the score of arrests and convictions—especially when you consider that the crooks have all America for a back door getaway.

I found the bureau of investigation as wide open and hospitable for my morning calls as the village parish house. A white-haired executive, with a desk as clear of litter as a skating rink, is apt to have a bouquet of flowers near by. From the thirty-nine sub-bureaus, located throughout the country, there is a steady stream of reports and telegrams to the main office. They were drawing the Karpis net a bit tighter, during the days of my visits, and while bureau executives are never garrulous at such times, one began to put down "Old Creepy" Alvin Karpis as a short-end bet.

Anything "hot" in a case like this goes straight to Mr. Hoover's office. It is a big, handsomely furnished office, with a stand of flags behind Mr.

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Hoover's desk. Courteous, leisurely and usually aged Negroes process one through to Mr. Hoover.

He is 41, black-haired and black-eyed, with no redundancy of person or conversation. His eyes are set away out on the corners of his face, suggesting a wide ambit of vision, which might take in, say, St. Paul and New Orleans in a single look. They are bright, luminous eyes, but they can become as flat and opaque as a poker chip when a momentary restraint is indicated.

Through a long office day, the mentally and physically athletic Mr. Hoover works like a trap-drummer—punching one of several octaves of buttons on his desk, summoning one of his avenging geni, grabbing a telephone like a shortstop fielding a hot grounder, barking a sharp staccato order and then relaxing, swinging around in his swivel chair and starting a heart-to-heart talk which makes you think he wears his heart on his sleeve; which he does, sometimes.

NO "WOMAN IN RED."

There wasn't any "woman in red" in the Dillinger case. That is, Anna Sage didn't have a red dress, and, incidentally, the agents never promised to help save her from deportation. But Mr. Hoover is willing to let the boys have their melodrama if he can just get it over that the criminal bands of America must and will be caught and put away. That may sound like oversimplification to persons interested in wider implications of modern criminology, but, so far, Mr. Hoover has been effective in his vigorously applied techniques of finding, identifying and convicting crooks. That's his main idea.

He knows the minute details of personnel and operations of the Barker-Karpis gang the way Toscanini knows the score of "Lohengrin."

After the Garrettsville, O., robbery, the teletype, linking the offices of the G-men, taps off a hunch that Karpis is bound for Florida. Mr. Hoover gives a few curt orders and systematically the agents in the field are closing in on every possible hide-out, dogging every known associate of Karpis, covering trains and highways in that section. It is large-scale, efficiently organized police work—no super-sleuthing. Mr. Hoover makes that clear. But it works. Karpis is in a stout, politician-proof jail, the latter being particularly important in the bureau's operations.

Mr. Hoover said emphatically that crime isn't conquered. But, last year, he and his special agents spent 5 million dollars and recovered for the government 38 million dollars. The 3,717 convictions obtained totaled 6,788 years. That's an impressive beginning. This writer was privileged to observe something of the working of the anticrime techniques. That fingerprint on the St. Paul beer bottle makes a good start for the story.

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'PUBLIC ENEMY' IN IRONS

Karpis Comes Back to St. Paul for Trial



BANDIT ARRIVES AT MINNESOTA FEDERAL BUILDING
Straw Hat Shows He Got No Chance to Change Clothes in South

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TENANT DELAYED KARPIS CAPTURE

Citizen Failed to Report Killer, Hoover Reveals

Chief J. Edgar Hoover of the Department of Justice investigation service declared yesterday that the case of Alvin Karpis, bandit and murderer, illustrated the importance of public co-operation with the authorities to suppress crime. He said:

"As far as the Federal Government is concerned, Karpis is as good as on his way to Alcatraz under life sentence today. He will be tried in St. Paul for the Bremer and Hamm kidnappings.

Tenant Blamed

"When convicted there, he can be tried on any or all the other kidnappings, murders, and bank robberies of which he has been accused. But—

"He would have been captured long ago if a tenant of the New Orleans house where he was hiding co-operated with us. This tenant said he saw Karpis several times and believed he was the kidnaper, but didn't bother to do anything about it.

"Karpis himself said he would not have been caught if he had gone on a fishing trip as he planned. We'd have got him anyway, but it all illustrates the importance of public co-operation."

Surgeon in Lake

Asked if local police co-operation was not important too, Chief Hoover said:

"We only ask police co-operation in communities where the police department is efficient and not corrupt and not made up of publicity-seekers who too often reveal our plans prematurely, so that criminals escape."

Hoover declared he believed the Chicago surgeon who lifted the faces of Karpis and the Barker brothers, since slain, had been flung into Lake Erie because he knew too much. He said Karpis asserted he paid \$250 for the crude, futile operation, although Justice agents declared \$5,000 was collected by the doctor from the three bandits. Hoover added:

"Karpis had merely \$280 when arrested but he must have plenty buried somewhere. He is vicious and cunning, but cowardly—a yellow rat who quaked when arrested and professed fear he would be beaten up."

No Reward Claim

Thirty felonies from murder to mail robbery are charged to Karpis and his gang. Harry Campbell, on whose head Congress put \$2,500, is the most desired fugitive. Karpis refused to give any information concerning accomplices.

Ruth Draper and Fred Hunter, captured with Karpis, remained in New Orleans yesterday. Hoover declared neither of them important. But he said:

"Every person who protected or harbored Karpis will be prosecuted to the limit of Federal law. The Karpis arrest was straight Department of Justice work. No tip was given us and Congress will not have to pay the \$5,000 reward offered for him."

KARPIS DISCARDS / AIR OF BRAVADO IN ST. PAUL CELL

Former "Public Enemy No. 1"
Waits for Law to Punish
Him for His Crimes.

By STEVE RICHARDS

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

St. Paul, May 3.—Robbed of his bravado and trembling like a man with palsy, Alvin Karpis sat in an "escape proof" jail cell tonight waiting for the law to punish him for crimes which led to his being named "Public Enemy No. 1."

"Karpis was the man who said he never would be taken alive," mocked J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, who personally arrested the gangster at New Orleans Friday night.

"He offered no resistance whatsoever," Hoover said. "He was so nervous he could scarcely talk. His hands were shaking like a leaf and his knees shook as if he had the palsy."

Karpis was a cringing, beaten man all during the 16-hour airplane trip with 10 G-men in a chartered airliner from New Orleans. His hands rattling the chains that bound him, hestepped about as ordered.

An Airtight Case

Thrown into the cell after hours of questioning at Department of Justice headquarters, he muttered bitterly.

Authorities indicated they had an "airtight" case linking Karpis to the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. Karpis and his late pal, Arthur "Doc" Barker—victim of G-Men guns—also are alleged to have kidnaped Edward G. Bremer, of St. Paul.

Hoover revealed before returning to New York aboard the plane which brought him here with Karpis that Karpis attempted to conceal his identity by plastic surgery, as did the late John Dillinger who preceded him as Public Enemy No. 1.

A crude operation was performed on his long-jawed, pasty face by a former member of the Barker-Karpis gang, Dr. Joseph Moran, now believed dead.

The logos of Karpis' ears had been cut and there was a deep scar under his left ear. His finger tips had been mutilated, obviously to hinder identification.

A Tone of Elation
Hoover's tone as he announced details of the public enemy's capture was one of elation. Karpis once wrote to Hoover threatening to kill him, so the G-man chief made a flight to New Orleans to be in at the arrest when he heard Karpis was there.
When Federal men who had been waiting outside Karpis' apartment jumped into their automobile and drove Karpis and a man and woman companion to the curb, it was the stocky Hoover who cowed him with his gun and hustled him out from behind the wheel.
Hoover personally commanded the roundabout airplane flight north from New Orleans. Delayed by headwinds, the airliner finally slipped into the airport here at 8:45 A. M. and taxied directly into the 109th Army Air Squadron hangar.

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KARPIS LIKED SUNSHINE TOO WELL

He Loved to Hunt and Fish, Hence He Was Caught, Says Hoover

CHICAGO, May 2 (U.S.)—Al Karpis liked to hunt and fish, hated cold weather, and that is the principal reason why the nation's public enemy No. 1 is behind the bars in St. Paul, it is disclosed here today by the nation's No. 1 G-man, J. Edgar Hoover.

Changing planes at the municipal airport as he hurried back from St. Paul to Washington, the head of the Department of Justice bureau of Investigation announced that he has ordered a roundup of more than 20 persons who helped Karpis in his incredible escapes from the law. Among them are a number of private airplane pilots, who flew Karpis to the far corners of the land.

"CLEVER CRIMINAL"

But concerning the hunting, fishing, and cold weather, Hoover said:

"We realized that Karpis was a clever criminal, with powerful

connections. We had little hope that his friends would turn him in.

"So we began a study of his entire life, to learn his habits, his likes, and his dislikes.

"We found that all his life he had enjoyed hunting and fishing. The kind of fish he liked best lived in southern streams. He hated cold weather. He liked living in large cities, and he wanted company, usually women.

"As he had money, Miami and New Orleans were the most likely places for him to go. He went both places. We missed him in Miami. And then we trailed him to New Orleans, where he could hunt, fish, keep warm, and catch the very kind of fish he likes best to eat."

When it had been definitely established that Karpis was in New Orleans, Hoover flew to New Orleans to direct the capture. The

house in which Karpis and Fred Hunter and the mystery girl known only as "Ruth" lived was surrounded.

"A YELLOW RAT"

Then Hoover and his men closed in. The head of the G-men said:

"I personally gave the command for him to put up his hands and surrender.

"He had boasted that he would never be taken alive. But we took him without firing a shot. That marked him as a dirty, yellow rat. He was scared to death.

"We nabbed the three after they had entered their car. There was a rifle in the back seat, but neither Karpis nor Hunter had a chance to reach it.

"We had Karpis covered. Without a murmur of protest, he, Hunter and the woman stepped from the car, with their hands above their heads."

Asked how Karpis acted when told to throw up his hands, Hoover said:

"He was so d—d scared he couldn't talk."

But finally Karpis blurted out, Hoover said:

"You are Mr. Hoover. I recognized you from a picture I saw of you with a sail-fish in a Florida paper."

Hoover explained Karpis had fled Miami during Hoover's recent vacation there, as he was too close for comfort.

Like the late John Dillinger, Hoover revealed, Karpis had resorted to plastic surgery in an effort to disguise himself.

And, the Government ace said, Karpis told him the face-lifting was done by Dr. Joseph P. Moran, the Chicago plastic surgeon the Karpis gang is believed to have murdered—taken for a boat ride and dumped in Lake Erie—lest he might some time betray them.

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Death for Karpis Planned in South

**Killer Expected to Have to Face
Trial for Missouri Slaying
Despite Kidnap Case**

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Relentless questioning left Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, pale and shaking today and facing arraignment on a charge of kidnaping William Hamm Jr.

J. Edgar Hoover, Justice Department chief, said in New York that Karpis will be tried first for his part in the \$100,000 Hamm abduction. The maximum penalty is life imprisonment. Later, he may be turned over to Missouri authorities, who would like to convict and sentence him to death for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains.

Agents questioning Karpis concentrated on still unsolved angles of the Hamm case, and further arrests in the case—probably of persons suspected of aiding the escape of the abductors.

Karpis will be turned over to Dist. Atty. George F. Sullivan this week for arraignment. Federal officials considered his arrest in New Orleans last week coincided “nicely” with plans to try other Hamm suspects in November.

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(A. P. Wirephotos)
 Heavily manacled to federal agent, William Mahan (arrow, next to car), long sought in Weyerhaeuser kidnaping case, at San Francisco airport leaves for Tacoma, Wash.

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LAST OF GANG.



HARRY CAMPBELL.

G-men completed their round-up of the Karpis gang with the arrest today in Toledo, O., of Harry Campbell.

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HARRY CAMPBELL

sonally led by Hoover in two separate raids in Toledo, Hoover disclosed.

Just as in the seizure of Alvin Karpis, the leader of the notorious gang, in New Orleans last Friday night, Campbell and Coker were seized without the firing of a shot, the G-Man chief revealed.

2 KARPIS PALS ARE ARRESTED IN CLEVELAND

J. Edgar Hoover Reports
Cleanup of Bremer
Kidnaping

Cleveland, May 7. (INS) — The capture of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, "cleaning up the major angles of the Bremer kidnaping case and the last remnants of the Karpis Barker gang" was announced here today by J. Edgar Hoover chief of the federal department of investigation.

Both men were seized early today by a heavy force of G-Men per-

KIDNAPING OF BREMER URGED BY 'MA' BARKER

Gang Headed by Alvin Karpis Yielded to Her Advice; Too Much Talk Doomed Ziegler

"Ma" Barker, mother of the killer brothers, was a potent influence in the gang headed by Alvin Karpis. Her insistence led to the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping, which was to prove the gang's nemesis.

By COURTNEY RILEY COOPER,

Famous writer and reporter, author of "10,000 Public Enemies," from which this series is taken.

CHAPTER IV.

During all the time in which the United States government hunted Frank Nash and the others who followed, the Barker-Karpis gang of outlaws did not lose a member, either through arrest or death.

Always careful, always unobtrusive, always under the watchful eyes of Kate Barker, the mother of Fred and Arthur, this crowd played the resorts when resorts were cool, or knew when to retire.

\$500,000 Loot

By the Autumn of 1933, when Dillinger's crew was beginning to occupy the first pages, the Barker-Karpis members already had gathered nearly \$500,000 from bank robberies and kidnapings.

Moreover, one of the Barker boys met a banker's daughter, who fell in love with him. It may or may not be surprising to the banking family to learn that Shotgun George Ziegler, who now was definitely aligned with the Barker-Karpis mob, later boasted that most of the hot money obtained through a kidnaping was changed into "real" cash through this connection.

"Ma" Barker was a strange figure of the underworld. Short, hard-featured, fattish, her cheeks loose and sagging, her gray hair always carefully groomed, her brown eyes brilliant and remorseless, yet withal queerly able to present the appearance of a mild old lady, this woman had made a weird success of rearing a criminal spawn.

Her first boy, Arthur, was a murderer, three inches shorter even than his mother, who was five feet six. Then there was Lloyd, who was still in Leavenworth Prison, and finally Freddie, who had helped to kill a policeman while his mother looked on.

'Brains' of Gang

There now were fully twenty-six persons in the gang, counting the hangers-on and the women. Four are now dead, twenty-two are indicted.

Christmastide of 1933 neared. The funds resultant from robberies and kidnapings had become low. But the boys knew where there was a \$200,000 job. A man who had known Edward George Bremer, banker and brewer of St. Paul for more than eight years, was willing to finger him for kidnaping. Shotgun George rebelled.

"What's the use of burning up that town?" he asked. "Hasn't enough happened there already?"

"Ma says it would be a good job," Freddie answered obdurately.

At last George went away on a short trip to arrange a hideout in Bensonville, Ill., where the kidnap victim could be held.

On January 17, 1934, Edward George Bremer was kidnaped, and held in the hideout near Bensonville, not to be released for three weeks.

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EXTRA

SEIZE CAMPBELL, KARPIS GANGSTER

Cleveland, May 7 (UP).—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, announced today that Harry Campbell, only remaining member of the Karpis-Barker gang, was captured in Toledo at 5 o'clock this morning.

Hoover arrested Campbell personally, brought him to Cleveland in a chartered plane and then sent him to St. Paul under guard of federal agents.

Hoover said only slight resistance was encountered when he and his agents broke into Campbell's second floor apartment. They found a woman

who, Hoover said, was Campbell's wife in the apartment with him.

The girl was brought to

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Nab Campbell, Karpis Gangster

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Cleveland, but was not placed under arrest.

Investigators found \$2,900 in cash, a revolver and six clips of cartridges in the apartment.

Hoover said Campbell had been living in Toledo five months, almost constantly since the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery last November. He had been in and out of Toledo for the last 18 months.

QUIET RAID

Hoover flew to Toledo from Washington last night. The raid was staged quietly this morning and the two were immediately brought to Cleveland.

Hoover said Karpis and Campbell were the two who stood guard over Edward Bremer while he was held captive.

In another raid at Toledo, federal agents captured Sam Coker, on parole from the Oklahoma state prison at McAlester where he was serving a 30-year term for bank robbery. Coker is held here in the Department of Justice office and will be returned to Oklahoma for parole violation.

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LAST OF KARPIS GANG CAPTURED

Harry Campbell, His Wife and
Aid Seized in Toledo by
G-Men Without Gunfire.

ST. PAUL, May 7 (A.P.)—The erstwhile lieutenant of the Karpis-Barker mob, Harry Campbell, was returned to St. Paul under the muzzles of federal agents' guns this afternoon after being trapped in Toledo. He was taken to the Federal building here for questioning.

CLEVELAND, May 7 (A.P.)—J. Edgar Hoover, federal bureau of investigation chief, announced here that Harry Campbell, last of the Alvin Karpis gang; a woman described as his wife, and Sam Cokar, a minor gangland figure, were captured by federal agents today at Toledo, O.

Hoover said the capture was effected without firing a shot. Campbell was taken to St. Paul, Minn., by airplane to face charges in the Edward Bremer kidnapping, he said. Campbell showed what Hoover termed a "little resistance" when the agents apprehended him.

Federal men surprised Campbell and the woman in a Toledo apartment. On Campbell the agents found a .45-caliber revolver and six clips of shells, Hoover said.

Agents said the girl claimed to have married Campbell at Bowling Green, O., in 1935. She gave her age as nineteen.

Woman May Be Released.

Hoover said that when Karpis and other members of the former Barker-Karpis gang escaped from a trap here in 1934 "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians and we are now investigating every detail of this angle."

The bureau chief said members of the Karpis gang had face-lifting and finger-print operations performed by a Cleveland surgeon.

"That doctor probably is dead now," Hoover said. "We have reason to believe he was killed after performing the operations. We believe his body was dumped into Lake Erie."

Hoover said Campbell was married under the name of "Robert Miller" and his wife did not know anything of his criminal career. She probably will be released, he said.

Hoover flew to Toledo last night to take personal charge of the federal men. He said he would fly from Cleveland to New York late today.

be held for Oklahoma authorities as a parole violator, where an unfinished thirty-year sentence for bank robbery still stands against him.

Apartment House Surrounded.

Campbell's capture came less than a week after that of Karpis, who bore the label of "Public Enemy No. 1." Karpis was taken in similar manner without gunfire in a fashionable New Orleans residence district.

Karpis became known nationally after federal agents killed Kate (Ma) Barker and her son, Fred, in a gun battle in Florida.

Campbell and Karpis fled north in a stolen automobile, shot their way out of an Atlantic City hotel in a battle with police and escaped to the middle west after abducting a Pennsylvania doctor to obtain his automobile.

Campbell was charged, together with Karpis and Fred Hunter, taken with the former in New Orleans, with a \$46,000 machine-gun mail train robbery last November at Garrettsville, O.

The federal men surrounded the two-story apartment building where Campbell was hiding out.

Campbell and his wife were seized as they emerged from the building. Campbell scuffled slightly but was covered and overpowered, Hoover said. Cokar was taken a half hour later at another hideout not far away.

Karpis Gives Campbell Tip.

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ST. PAUL, May 7.—Alvin Karpis, imprisoned gang leader, gave the tip that brought about capture of his chief lieutenant, Harry Campbell, in Toledo, a G-man indicated today.

The federal man was waiting at St. Paul airport for arrival of the plane bearing Campbell and his captors.

The federal agent was asked: "Is Karpis going to get the \$2,500 reward for Campbell's capture?" "Well," the G-man replied, "he's entitled to it."

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'CHEATERS' FAILED



The spectacles Alvin Karpis is wearing here and a face-lifting operation failed to enable him to escape the G-men, now grilling him in St. Paul on unsolved angles of the Hamm kidnaping case, first in which he will face trial. Maximum penalty would be a life term.

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Campbell Is Wanted for Questioning in Tulsa Lawyer's Death

By United Press.
TULSA, May 7.—Harry Campbell is wanted in Rogers county, Ok., in one of this state's unsolved crimes—the murder of J. Earl Smith, Tulsa lawyer, in 1932.

Smith, who on several occasions represented members of the Barker-Karpis gang in court, was found beaten and shot to death near Tulsa's exclusive Indian Hills Country club, across the county line in Rogers county.

Campbell, his companion Fred Barker, since killed in a G-man ambush in Florida with his notorious mother, "Ma" Barker, and other members of the gang disappeared from their usual Tulsa haunts.

Jimmie Lawson and Eddie Snyder, two of the gang, since have been captured and are in prison.

It was Lawson who pinned the Smith killing on Campbell.

Lawson told Kansas authorities in March that he accompanied Campbell and Snyder on the death mission. He said Snyder beat Smith with a pistol butt and Campbell shot him, because Campbell owed the lawyer some money for defending him.

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OUTLAW FLOWN TO ST. PAUL IN HEAVY CHAINS

Shakes Like Man With
Palsy as He is Put in
Escape-Proof Cell.

BETRAYAL IS DENIED

No Tipoff Aided Capture,
Hoover Says; Reward
Will Not Be Paid.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 2.—Rushed here in chains in a 14-passenger airplane, Alvin Karpis tonight was locked in the same escape-proof cell which once held the "Terrible Tuhys."

Meanwhile, Federal authorities acted with the same speed and precision with which they effected Karpis' capture in New Orleans last night, in an effort to give him an early trial. Their object is to send him to his death for one of the dozen or more major crimes of which he is accused.

Tonight it appeared the young outlaw will face trial first in the kidnappings of William A. Hamm, Jr., rich brewer, and Edward G. Bremer, banker, both of St. Paul. The two "jobs" netted his gang \$300,000.

Mail Robbery Charge.
The death penalty could be asked under the Lindbergh law if either trial should develop that the victim was injured while held.

If Karpis escapes a death sentence in those trials, the Postoffice Inspection Service at Washington said it will attempt to try him for the \$46,000 mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O., last November. That would carry a mandatory 25-year sentence.

Karpis is wanted in at least one other kidnaping—that of Dr. Horace W. Hunsicker, of Allentown, who was abducted in his automobile when the desperado fled police in Atlantic City in January, 1935.

His crimes also include the slaying of a sheriff in a bank robbery, three or four small holdups, and complicity in the slaying of four other persons.

Killer Trembles

Robbed of his bravado and trembling like a man with palsy, the outlaw was a cringing, beaten man all during the 16-hour airplane trip with 10 G-men in a chartered airliner from New Orleans. His hands rattling the chains that bound him, he stepped about as ordered.

Thrown into the cell after hours of questioning at Department of Justice headquarters, he muttered bitterly.

J. Edgar Hoover, who set a startling precedent by flying to New Orleans to stage in person the trapping and capture of the No. 1 public enemy, took part again today in the renewed grilling of Karpis.

No Resistance

"Karpis was the man who said he never would be taken alive," Hoover said. "He offered no resistance whatsoever. He was so nervous he could scarcely talk. His hands were shaking like a leaf and his knees shook as if he had the palsy."

The head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was aboard the plane when it roared out of New Orleans late last night with seven of his men guarding the heavily manacled prisoner. He came on with them and two other Federal agents when the plane, buffeted by storms and rain, left Kansas City early this morning.

And he was first to step out when the big ship slid smoothly into the hangar at the airport here at 8:45 A. M.

Photographers Barred

Karpis soon appeared, coatless, a straw hat on his head, and shivering in temperature 30 degrees below that which he left in New Orleans.

On each side and back of him walked the grim G-men, their pistols and sawed-off shotguns ready for instant use. Karpis' hands were still manacled, but the chains had been removed from his ankles.

For the reception of the public enemy, Federal forces here had taken over the field. The mechanical end was in charge of Major Ray S. Miller, of the National Guard, but Chief Federal Agent Clinton W. Stein, of St. Paul, and 15 of his men were in absolute authority to prevent the remotest possibility of a "slip-up" at any point.

Newsmen and photographers were shooed out of the hangar. Sub-machine guns nudged the reluctant ones. Stein announced:

"Sorry, boys, there'll be no pictures for several days. We want to talk to him first."

Crowds Gather

Karpis, his head down to conceal his features, was loaded into a car. G-men piled in with him, and with Federal cars ahead and behind, the cortege sped to the Federal Courts Building.

The army of Federal agents and

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their prisoner were greeted there by the same crowd of reporters and camera men as before, they having made the trip at even faster speed.

All St. Paul appeared to have been aware the notorious desperado was to be brought here. Crowds thronged the airport and lined the streets for a glimpse of the killer, kidnaper and robber.

Karpis failed to betray his emotion in the few minutes that St. Paul's citizens got to see him. His face was impassive most of the time, but he shook from the cold as he was led into the Federal building in his light suit and the first straw hat St. Paul has seen in action this year.

Betrayal Denied

Someone in the crowd that lined the building shouted:

"Hello, Alvy."

But the man who rose from marbles champion of Topeka, Kan., to machine gun champion of the underworld did not reply.

Elaborating on an earlier statement that no one tipped the Government off to where Karpis could be found, Hoover said:

"There was no betrayal of Karpis by his pals or others. The man who said he'd never be captured alive quit like the yellow rat he is and the rest of gangland is at heart."

Asked whom the Government now classes as Public Enemy No. 1, Hoover said:

"We don't rank the yellow rats. It is you fellows who do that for us. But if you want to know whom I rank as Public Enemy No. 1 today, it is Old Man Politics."



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No Reward to Be Paid

Hoover scoffed at reports from New Orleans that Karpis was delivered into their trap by a beautiful brunette who will collect the \$7000 rewards recently offered for Karpis. Hoover said the G-men worked without outside assistance and that no reward will be paid.

He declined to discuss the slim beauty with honey-colored hair who was seized with Karpis and his pal, Fred Hunter, but there is little indication that she betrayed the gangster.

The woman, known as "Ruth," was identified as a woman who posed as Mrs. Ruth Hunter, but who, in reality, is not Hunter's wife.

Hoover said she is being held in New Orleans without charge and indicated she may be released after further questioning.

Hoover said Karpis was under surveillance by Federal agents for two or three days before his capture.

Apartment Surrounded.

"Karpis was quite a fisherman and a hunter," Hoover said. "He was in and out of New Orleans. Notwithstanding plastic surgery on his face, he was easily recognizable from his photograph. He had two scars on his ears, apparently for the purpose of lifting his face, and a cut into the lobe of each ear, but he looks exactly like his picture."

"When we had definite information he was in New Orleans, we surrounded the apartment house in which he lived with Hunter."

From official sources, however, it was learned that Karpis signed his own death warrant when he led his gang in the Garrettsville mail train holdup. Since a few days after that robbery Government aces have been hot on his trail, narrowly missing him once at Hot Springs, Ark.

Plane Forced Off Route.

Soon after that robbery, George Keady and John Brock, accused by the Government as members of the gang, were captured in Tulsa, Okla. They told the inside story of the robbery, naming those who took part in it and telling their haunts. Thus the G-men were able to begin checking up on Karpis and spread the net that eventually resulted in his capture.

Although officials were reluctant to divulge details of the airplane crash from New Orleans, it was

understood that bad flying conditions forced the plane off the regular route, which would have been via Chicago. The party therefore flew by way of Indianapolis, Kansas City and St. Louis.

Flight Halted.

In Kansas City, the flight was halted three hours, awaiting better flying conditions. The G-men took turns leaving the plane there for breakfast, but they refused for a moment to let Karpis leave the plane.

Neither Hoover nor his lieutenants would reveal whether or not Karpis had made any confessions, but it was generally understood that even the nation's No. 1 outlaw knew the game was up, and that he might as well make things as easy for himself as possible.

Hoover left St. Paul at 2:30 P. M. on a plane for New York.

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Still proclaiming her love for Harry Campbell, the gang-kidnaper she married in Bowling Green, Gertrude Miller Campbell today revealed to reporters her married life with the Karpis gangster, despite remonstrance by her mother.

Receiving interviewers in the apartment at 2132 Monroe street, from which G-men seized her and her husband early yesterday, Mrs. Campbell, unburdened herself and seemed relieved when the questioning was over.

She was inclined to be surly at first and was reluctant to discuss her life with the gangster. Then, pleading that she be left alone after the interview, Mrs. Campbell said she met her husband through his cousin, but would not reveal his name and said she preferred that it did not appear in print.

She said they were married in Bowling Green.

AFTER GRILLING'S OVER—FRE



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She was inclined to be surly at first and was reluctant to discuss her life with the gangster. Then, pleading that she be left alone after the interview, Mrs. Campbell said she met her husband through his cousin, but would not reveal his name and said she preferred that it did not appear in print.

She said they were married in Bowling Green on May 29, 1935, and from that time until November lived with her parents. In November, she said, she and her husband moved to the Monroe street apartment.

She said Campbell had always been kind to her and never had denied any request. He provided with clothing and granted every desire. Never during their brief courtship or married life did she know or suspect who her husband really was. She said she married him believing his name was Robert Miller, and never knew him by any other name until his arrest.

Mrs. Campbell said she had never met Karpis and that her husband had never spoken of him. Mrs. Campbell pledged loyalty to Campbell today when she said she still loved him. "He always been kind and thoughtful, she said, and what could a girl do but love him."

"Regardless of what he's done he's always been a square fellow," she said. "He may have done wrong, but he's still with me."

Mrs. Campbell said she did not believe she would divorce yesterday, but said that if she ever did remarry she would

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AFTER GRILLING'S OVER—FREE



MRS. HARRY CAMPBELL

Clearly showing the effects of her one-day detention by federal agents who yesterday morning arrested her gangster husband, Mrs. Harry Campbell is shown in her apartment at 2132 Monroe street early today. The 20-year-old Toledo girl was released without charge and returned from Cleveland at 1 A. M. by two agents. During her detention, the government checked her story that she did not know that the "Bob Miller" she married in Bowling Green, O., a year ago was in reality Harry Campbell.



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"My statement with regard to cooperation with local police was broader than that," he said. "I said I would not cooperate with any police department that was corrupt, inefficient, or publicity mad. As to the conduct of the Toledo police department, the chief of police is in a much better position to know about that than I am."

Hoover then switched the subject to Sheriff O'Reilly, who admitted yesterday that he had known Campbell for six months under the name of Bob Miller but did not know that Miller was the notorious Karpis gangster.

Won't Comment

"As to your sheriff, he already has admitted associating with this man Campbell for some time when Campbell's pictures were plastered on every wall in the country," said Hoover. "It seems to me that anyone could have recognized him from that picture."

Asked if he intended to take any action against any Toledo official, Hoover replied that "our men intend to prosecute anyone found aiding, abetting, or harboring any member of this gang." He did not disclose if he had anyone in mind in that statement.

Hoover was asked if any arrests could be expected soon, but merely remarked that the investigation is going forward now and he could not comment.

The G-men chief then left Washington on a mysterious mission. He would not say what city was his destination although it was reported it was New York. The only information was that he did not expect to return for a week. Neither would he disclose whether he was making his mysterious journey by train or plane.

Police Chief Allen today ordered a searching investigation of the Toledo police department to learn if any members knew Campbell. The order was issued immediately after

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FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1936

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Express Confidence in
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Writes to Hoover.

High police officials today expressed confidence in the personnel of the department and gave voice to resentment at the manner in which federal agents yesterday conducted their sudden raid which resulted in the capture of Harry Campbell, desperado, and added another criminal scalp to the be-studded belt of J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the G-men.

The expression of confidence was made in response to rumors Campbell was the recipient of aid while in hiding here.

Joseph Fruchey, inspector of detectives, declared if there were any men in his bureau who knowingly had associated with Campbell and withheld information of his presence in the city those men were not wanted on the department, but added that he did not believe such was the case.

Defending his men, Inspector Fruchey declared it sometimes is easy to pass a known person without recognizing the individual. He also said that Campbell's appearance now does not resemble his likeness in a photograph on the wanted circular sent to the department some time ago.

Sergeant Frank Baumgardner, assistant to Police Chief Ray Allen, said Mr. Hoover sent letters to both Chief Allen and himself congratulating them on their promotion in the department recently and promising to give or request aid in cases of mutual concern. On some occasions the federal agents had asked for and obtained aid from the local department, he said.

Informed that several members of the department appeared to be jittery this morning, Sergeant Baumgardner declared:

"Well, two or three, maybe, but not a lot of them."

Incensed at the federal agents' tactics in the raid, Chief Allen late yesterday directed a letter to the G-man chief expressing his displeasure.

The letter, mailed to Hoover early last night, follows:

"Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Washington, D. C.

"Dear Sir:

"May I congratulate you and the members of your department on your very fine work in capturing Harry Campbell in this city.

"Although the accomplishment is commendable, the method pursued in not notifying this department, or asking our assistance, casts an unpleasant reflection upon the honesty and sincerity of the division I command.

"As reported in the daily papers at the time of the Alvin Karpis capture in New Orleans, you stated that the federal bureau of investigation always cooperates with local police departments except in cities where they are corrupt.

"I would like to know if there has been any failure in the proper performance of their duties by any members of this department? If there has been, I believe that in all fairness I should be so informed."

"CHIEF RAY ALLEN."

Arranges Dance



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RUTH GRUENWALD

Ruth Gruenwald is assisting with arrangements for the fifth annual spring dance to be given by Kappa Theta Chi sorority tomorrow night at Heather Downs Country club. James Huber's orchestra will play. Mrs. Ben Parks, chairman, is assisted by Jerry Francke and Ursula L.

FEDERAL MEN USE SAME SHIP

Campbell Arrest Effectuated
With Plane Employed
to Nab Karpis.

The same transport plane used by the federal men in the capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans a week ago was used by J. Edgar Hoover and his aides in the arrest yesterday of Harry Campbell, his wife and Sam Coker.

A regular TWA ship, similar to the Sun Racer which crashed several weeks ago, the 15-passenger plane landed at Transcontinental airport, and was taxied into the Curtis hangar there while Mr. Hoover and his men left for Toledo.

Floyd Puse, night station manager at the airport, who witnessed the arrival of the agents and their departure with their captives, had only one comment to make about Campbell.

"He looked," he said, "as though he wanted to drop through a hole."

Robert Miller Leads Cast in Clay Opera

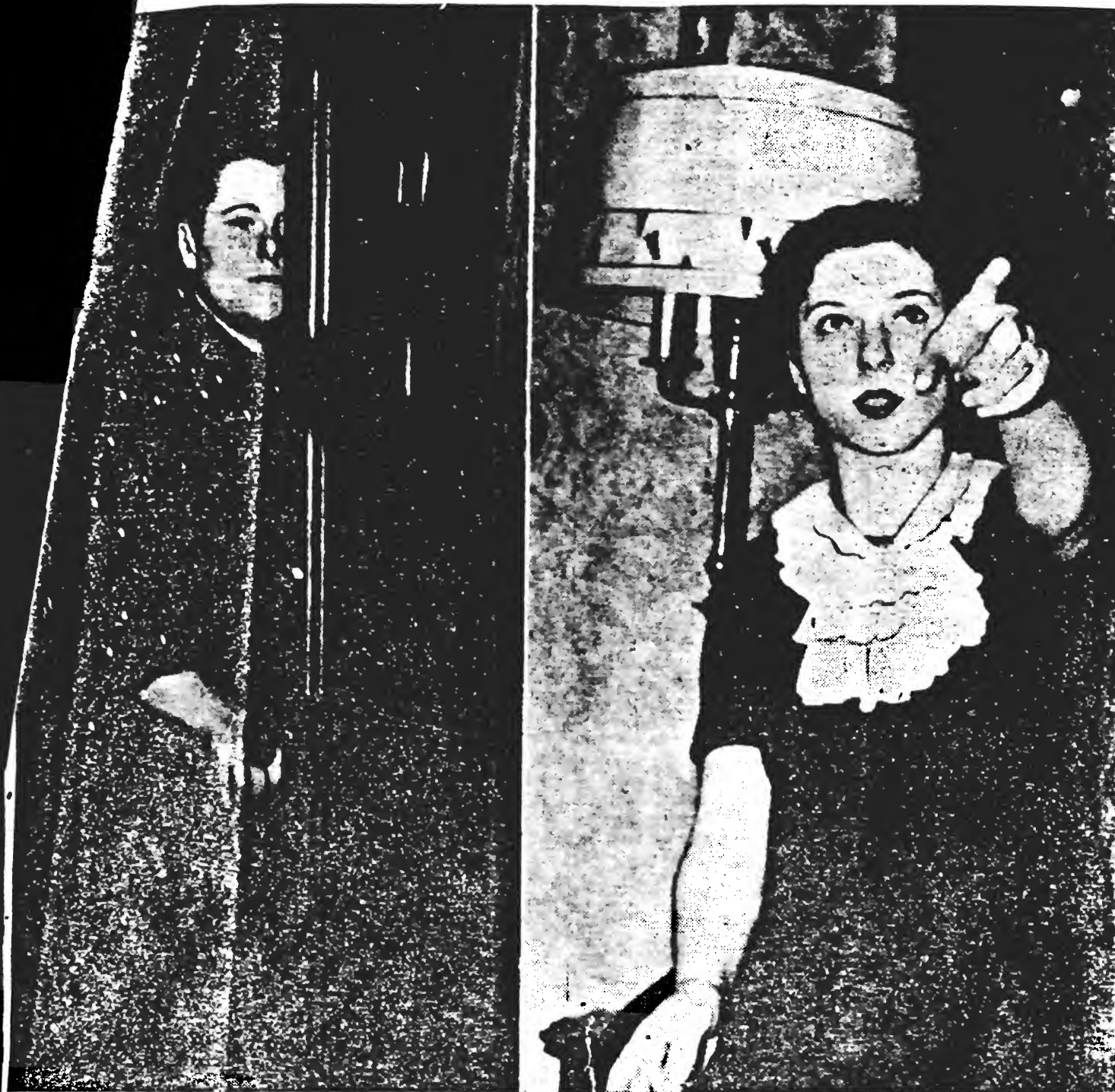
Robert Miller will play the leading role in the operetta, "An Old



Robert Miller

Spanish Custom," to be presented by the Clay high school Glee club at 8 tonight in the school auditorium. Jewel Bricker will play the leading feminine role. Ralph Runyan is director of the production. Ralph Becker is president of the organization.

GANGSTER'S WIFE ORDERS CAMERAMAN TO SCRAM



Esther Goulet and Mrs. Gertrude Campbell, wife of Harry Campbell, last uncaptured member of the Alvin Karpis gang, were photographed this morning at the Campbell apartment at 2132 Monroe street. Miss Goulet, left, is seen leaving the apartment where she has visited Mrs. Campbell. She is the daughter of Frank Goulet, proprietor of an adjoining beer parlor. Mrs. Campbell, right, was photographed in the apartment after her release by G-men. She is seen pointing to another photographer and ordering him to "scram." He did.

CHIEF OF G-MEN SCOURGES O'REILLY

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Chief Allen held a conference with John N. Edy, city manager.

Chief Allen called into his office Joseph Fruchey, recently appointed inspector of detectives and ordered him to make the investigation. Fruchey will talk to various individuals and attempt to determine if there has been any complicity.

Allen Issues Challenge to Hoover

Allen also made a formal challenge to Hoover to produce whatever information he has, if any, indicating a laxity in the performance of duty of the department.

The order and challenge followed reports that sensational developments affecting high Toledo officials and others, suspected by the

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Two weeks ago, Campbell, who made frequent trips in his car with the trailer attached, made a secret visit to the trailer. After depositing a bundle inside, he carefully

locked the vehicle, padlocked garage, and left.

Trailer Contents Provide Mystery

It is not known definitely who is in the trailer although a person close to the captured gangster he knew for a certainty that it contained a .45 caliber pistol.

So much a part of his home is the trailer that Campbell even his marriage license in a frame one of the walls.

The trailer was there late morning when Blade reporters visited the place but the house was locked and no one appeared answer to knocks.

Those watching the Campbell apartment during the night were curious regarding a coupe, containing two pretty girls, who passed the hideout four times in hours. The machine was slowly past the flat and the apparently were seeking some

Coker, who was arrested house also occupied by an ex-man and woman suffering heart ailments, was described by Hoover as "one of our dear boys."

Coker, he revealed, was a convict from the Oklahoma

Sheriff Defies Demands That He Quit Post at Once

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and not as an underworld character. Admitting he had been acquainted with Campbell for at least five

STILL LOVES GANGSTER MATE

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certainly ask her prospective husband plenty of questions.

Mrs. Campbell spoke highly of J. Edgar Hoover's G-men for the manner in which they treated her. She said that while they questioned her in Cleveland for 20 hours and 10 minutes, they were not abusive and did not grill her unmercifully. She said she had eaten nothing since some hours before the raid and that the federal officers several times offered to obtain food for her.

Questioned about Sheriff James O'Reilly, Mrs. Miller said she knew who he was. She said she had met him but would rather not say where.

Mrs. Campbell, a former soft-ball player on the city sandlots, begged that she not be bothered again.

"If people don't leave me alone I feel as though I'll do something rash," she said.

While Mrs. Campbell was relating her story to reporters, her mother visited the apartment and tried to keep her from continuing the interview. Mrs. Campbell ignored her mother's demands. She told her mother she intended to finish the interview to put an end to questioning.

Mrs. Campbell said she was formerly a waitress in the Goulet grill, near her apartment, and at one time worked in a downtown necktie store.

Mrs. Campbell granted the interview some hours after she was returned from Cleveland by federal officers. She pleaded to be left alone earlier in the morning and promised reporters she would see them after she had a few hours of sleep. She appeared for the interview in a long, light blue flannel robe and bedroom slippers.

During their year together, Mrs. Campbell said that her husband took her every place she wanted to go. She remarked that he does not like to dance, so they never attended dances. The couple, however, frequently went to picture shows and drove in their automobile. She said she had never met any of his friends.

The young wife is about five feet two, and has dark brown naturally curly hair, and blue eyes.

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Coker, it also was learned, was not involved in the \$46,000 Garrettsville, O., mail robbery charged to the Karpis-Campbell gang but was in Mercy hospital in Toledo at the time.

The first indication that federal authorities were preparing to take steps against Toledo officials came late yesterday when Hoover, at a conference in Washington, was quoted in press dispatches as expressing bitterness over actions of high officials in this city. The dispatch added that one official may shortly be charged with giving refuge to a wanted criminal.

Underworld circles were seething today with the report that federal agents had discovered that several influential officials had participated in a card game with Campbell. Enough names were linked with the purported card game to fill several tables.

months, O'Reilly said he was introduced to the man by Frank Goulet, who runs a beer parlor adjoining the apartment where Campbell was arrested at 2132 Monroe street.

Campbell, whose picture had been displayed in the county jail; his wife, Gertrude, and Sam Coker, western criminal, were arrested in two raids.

The sheriff said Goulet, whom he had known for many years, had been keeping a couple of Scottie dogs for him. Campbell had seen the dogs and wanted to purchase one like them.

A short time later O'Reilly said he walked into Goulet's beer parlor and saw Campbell in the place. Goulet introduced Campbell to him as Miller and the latter asked where he could buy one of the dogs, the sheriff continued.

O'Reilly said he suggested to Miller (Campbell) that he purchase one from Charles Quetschke, who raises dogs in Monroe street near the Terminal railroad tracks.

Wanted a Male

Asked why he did not sell Campbell one of the dogs that Goulet was keeping for him, the sheriff explained that the dogs were females and Campbell wanted a male.

The sheriff admitted that although police and sheriffs throughout the entire nation were seeking Campbell and his picture was on circulars posted in hundreds of places, he saw the man on several occasions and drank beer with him several times.

O'Reilly also said he saw Mrs. Campbell with the dog her husband finally purchased, and added that he saw Campbell at the opening baseball game at Swayne field. Although scores of city detectives and uniform police were at the game, they did not recognize him either.

Stating he was greatly startled when he learned that the man he knew as Miller was the famous criminal for whom a \$2,500 reward had been offered, the sheriff said he never had seen a picture of Campbell.

However, in the file in the Lucas county jail, over which O'Reilly has control, there reposed a government circular with a large picture of Campbell and a full description of him.

Size Impression

"My impression of Miller was that he was five feet 10 inches or six feet tall," the sheriff explained when questioned at the Junior Bar association meeting in the Commodore Perry hotel last night.

"I always had been informed that Campbell was a little fellow, five feet four or five inches.

"It would have made me famous all over the country if I could have arrested this fellow," O'Reilly continued. "If I had suspected in the slightest that the man I knew as Miller was Campbell I could have arrested him on several occasions."

The county official said he saw Campbell at the Granada Gardens at Secor road and Monroe street about two weeks ago at a Dinty Moore party. He said he also learned that Campbell, under the name of Miller, had registered at the board of elections.

Reporters for The Blade received the first intimation that Sheriff O'Reilly might have knowledge in the Campbell case yesterday. The reporters questioned youngsters in the neighborhood about three Scotties in the rear of the Goulet yard.

The children told reporters that the dogs belonged to "the sheriff," but did not designate him by name. Others had supplied the information that Campbell and his wife had been in the habit of exercising the dogs and that one of them ap-

arently belonged to Campbell. When a photographer for The Blade started to take a picture of the dogs, who were barking furiously, a woman ran out and demanded that he desist. "Those dogs belong to Sheriff O'Reilly," she screamed, "and I'll tell him to take care of you." While the woman cursed, the photographer took three pictures of the dogs.

One of the dogs was reported missing at midnight last night.

Circulars on wanted criminals are received regularly at police headquarters and at the county jail. Those at the county jail are placed in a box where they can be perused by the deputies.

The circulars on Karpis and Campbell were received a day or two before Karpis was arrested, which was a week before G-men caught up with Campbell.

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Campbell Enters Plea Of Guilty To Kidnap Charge' Gets Life

BREMER LISTENS TO PROCEEDINGS; KIDNAPER SULKS

ST. PAUL—(AP)—In the presence of the man he helped seize and imprison for 22 days, Harry Campbell, lame mobster of the Barker-Karpis gang, Tuesday pleaded guilty to conspiracy in the \$200,000 Edward G. Bremer kidnaping and was sentenced to life in prison.

Sentence was imposed by Federal Judge M. M. Joyce as Bremer, 39-year-old bank president kidnaped Jan. 17, 1934, listened attentively to the proceedings.

Campbell, seized in Toledo six days ago by federal agents, pleaded guilty after five days of almost constant questioning by federal agents and confessed, District Attorney George Sullivan said, that he and his one-time chieftain, Alvin Karpis, played principal roles in the abduction.

Karpis Indicted

Karpis, the nation's No. 1 public enemy until his capture at New Orleans 11 days ago, is in the county jail under indictment as a ringleader in both the Bremer and William Hamm, Jr., abductions. Hamm, president of a brewing company, was kidnaped June 15, 1933 and paid \$100,000 for his freedom.

Sullivan disclosed in court that Campbell received only between \$5,000 and \$7,000 as his share of the

ransom. Although Campbell was charged with both the actual kidnaping and conspiracy to kidnap, Sullivan moved for arraignment on only the conspiracy charge.

Campbell will be taken first to Leavenworth penitentiary and later probably transferred to Alcatraz Island prison in San Francisco Bay, where other members of the kidnap mob are serving time. Now in Alcatraz for life are Arthur (Doc) Barker, alleged co-leader with Karpis in the two kidnapings; Harry Sawyer, "finger man"; Volney Davis, who delivered the ransom notes; and William Weaver, one of the

guards at the Bensenville, Ill., "hideout" where the banker was held captive 22 days in what he termed "a living hell."

Handcuffed to a deputy United States marshal Campbell was led to the bar, waived reading of the indictment and entered his guilty plea. Asked if he had anything to say he replied in the negative.

Preceding imposition of sentence, District Attorney Sullivan briefly related the part played by Campbell in the abduction, which took place a block from the school to which Bremer had driven his young daughter. Sullivan named Campbell and Karpis as among the actual kidnapers and said they drove the banker to and from the "hideout" in addition to acting as guards virtually the entire period of imprisonment.

Of 26 persons named in an indictment for complicity in the crime, Campbell was the last to be rounded up. The others have been imprisoned or killed.

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She Wed Campbell



Believing he was "Robert Miller," this dark-eyed brunet married Harry Campbell, member of the Barker-Karpis gang seized in Toledo, O., by G-men and taken to St. Paul where he faces trial for the abduction of Edward Bremer. Seized with Campbell in Toledo, Mrs. Campbell told J. Edgar Hoover, chief G-man, who brought her to Cleveland and then released her as innocent, that she had married Campbell in Bowling Green, O., a year ago. (Central Press)

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KARPIS TREMBLES IN CELL.



HIDING HIS FACE, ALVIN KARPIS IS SHOWN IN CUSTODY
OF FEDERAL AGENTS.



A NEW PICTURE OF KARPIS.

In his cell in St. Paul, Minn., Saturday night Alvin Karpis trembled and showed no sign of the bravado that made him "public enemy No. 1." He was caught by federal agents in New Orleans, La.

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Doctor to Dillinger, Karpis 'Got One-Way 'Ride' on Lake

"Old Doc Moran" Cheated G-
Men of Another Victim by
Talking Too Much.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance.

WASHINGTON, May 13.—G-Men missed one member of the Barker-Karpis gang when they arrested Harry Campbell in Toledo recently. His body, weighted with rock, lies in Lake Erie, somewhere off Toledo's Harbor Light.

He was known to gangdom as Old Doc Moran and in his heyday he took a good slice of the income of the Barker-Karpis mob, following a break with an earlier associate, John Dillinger.

His Lake Erie grave resulted from Doc Moran's inability to drink and still hold his tongue.

Dr. Joseph P. Moran was born in 1891 at Spring Valley, Ill., where he was graduated from high school. He enlisted when the World War came and went to France. The war over, he came home determined to be a surgeon.

Graduated with Honors.

From Tufts Medical School in Boston he was graduated with honors and he returned to LaSalle, Ill., to practice. Presently he was arrested for an illegal operation and went to Joliet for three years.

In prison he performed hundreds of operations. Word of his skill spread outside prison walls, and when he got out he found a practice waiting in Chicago.

Soon Doc Moran was widely known as a "right guy" who for a price could shave telltale lines from gangster fingers or alter features so deftly as to defy detection.

His clients included the cream of Chicago's underworld. Later he operated on Alvin Karpis, Fred and Arthur Barker, Harry Campbell and others with public-enemy ratings.

Hamilton Paid \$5,000.

John Hamilton, brains of the Dillinger crew, paid him more than \$5,000 after being shot in an East Chicago bank stick-up.

J. Edgar Hoover wrote recently:—

"In his drunken moments—and they were many—Moran liked to talk of his honor course in medical school. Imagination would wipe away the criminal stigma; he would become a great surgeon. Under these



The late Joseph P. Moran, surgeon to gangdom.

delusions he would attempt to force his surgical ability on anyone present."

Moran broke with the Dillinger mob shortly after the Little Bohemia incident in Wisconsin, when Hamilton was fatally shot. The story goes that Doc refused medical aid to Hamilton and let him die in the back room of a Chicago saloon. Doc then joined the Barker-Karpis outfit and was so involved in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping case as to draw an indictment along with the rest.

Hated and Feared.

He kept on drinking, and despite his usefulness to the Barker brothers and Alvin Karpis he soon was hated and feared.

About a year ago, so the story goes, Doc and the rest of the mob were sitting around a table in a Toledo waterfront dive, drinking and talking.

Doc started telling the world that he had "too much on the gang" to fear violence. He was wrong. One Russell Gibson, drug addict and mobster, suggested a motor boat ride out into Lake Erie to sober up Moran.

Moran took the ride—one way.

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Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
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Mr. Jones	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
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BEER-BOTTLE FINGERPRINT LED TO KARPIS GANG DOOM

Writer Learns How J. E. Hoover's Men Work in Battle Against Organized Criminals

How the G-men go into action when they start rounding up a gang of criminals is told here in the first of a series of articles by a newspaperman who was privileged to look into the inner workings of the government's crime laboratory in Washington and study the methods of the Federal sleuths.

BY LEMUEL F. PARTON

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WASHINGTON, May 13. (Exclusive)—A fingerprint on a beer bottle started unraveling of the Barker-Karpis gang. Alvin Karpis, perhaps the cleverest, but not the deadliest of the outfit, is caught, after three years' systematic night and day sleuthing by the Federals—meaning, of course, J. Edgar Hoover's G-men.

St. Paul police, after the Hamm kidnapping, were tipped to a gangsters' hideout. They passed by a pile of beer bottles in the corner. Mr. Hoover's young "book detectives," as some old-line cops have called them, picked up the print. In crime, as in love and war, one thing leads to another. That fingerprint spelled death or jail for the murderous key mob of the Northwest. Karpis, known as "Old Creepy," survived long because he never talked. But the fingerprint did. The robbery and murder syndicate is just a lot of field rats on the run—or else underground or in jail.

HOW MEN WORK

Spending several months in Washington, I asked J. Edgar Hoover to let me "sit in" as a G-man and learn how his national fumigating plant worked from the inside. He said "no." He wanted the public to know what they were doing, but he wanted to separate their activities from a lot of fake melodrama, and such journalistic enterprise would only make it worse. However, he would throw the place wide open, let me see records and operations and enlighten me to the limit on just what Uncle Sam's unique Federal Bureau of Investigation had done and was trying to do.

G-men—there are about 600 of them in the field—were in and out of Washington, reporting at regular intervals for special training, or bringing in some new bit of evidence, to be fitted into widening mosaic which now provides a fairly complete pattern of criminal personnel and organization throughout America.

EVIDENCE ASSEMBLED

Mr. Hoover's four floors in the huge Department of Justice Building are the assembly and fabrication plant for the raw material of evidence which is garnered in some moldy hidey-hole in the woods, in a roadside joint or perhaps a gaudy Miami, New York or Havana honky-tonk.

Putting two and two together is the exacting and arduous work of Mr. Hoover's 1100 employees—there in addition to the valiant 600 in the field. Just in passing, Scotland Yard has 12,000 men covering the tiny area of metropolitan London, with Mr. Hoover's 1700 men not suffering in comparison, on the score of arrests and convictions—especially when you consider that the crooks have all America for a backdoor getaway.

SPICK-AND-SPAN BUREAU

I found the Bureau of Investigation as wide open and hospitable for my morning calls as the village parish house. A white-haired executive, with a desk as clear of litter as a skating rink, is apt to have a bouquet of flowers near by. From the thirty-nine sub-bureaus, located throughout the country, there is a steady stream of reports and telegrams to the main office. They were drawing the Karpis net a bit tighter, during the days of my visits, and while bureau executives are never arrulous at such times, one began to put down "Old Creepy" Alvin Karpis as a short-end bet.

Anything "hot" in a case like this goes straight to Mr. Hoover's office.

It is a handsomely furnished office, with a stand of flags behind Mr. Hoover's desk. Mysterious, leisurely, and usually elegant Negroes proceed one through to Mr. Hoover.

HOOVER ONLY 41

He is 41 years of age, black-haired and black-eyed, with no redundancy of person or conversation. His eyes are set away out on the corners of his face, suggesting a wide ambit of vision, which might take in, say, St. Paul and New Orleans in a single look. They are bright, luminous eyes, but they can become as flat and opaque as a poker chip when a momentary restraint is indicated.

Through a long office day, the mentally and physically athletic Mr. Hoover works like a trap-drummer—punching one of several octaves of buttons on his desk, summoning one of his avenging genii, grabbing a telephone like a shortstop fielding a hot grounder, barking a sharp staccato order and then relaxing, twining around in his swivel chair and starting a heart-to-heart talk which makes you think he wears his heart on his sleeve, which he does, sometimes.

AGENTS TAGGED

You get what he means. "Machine Gun" Kelly hung the "G-Man" tag on his special agents when they walked into his room in Tennessee. He doesn't particularly like that kind of business, but if it helps inform and interest the public in the nation's war against crime, he is willing to let it ride.

There wasn't any "woman in red" in the Dillinger case. That is, Anna Sage didn't have a red dress, and, incidentally, the special agents never promised to help save her from deportation. But Mr. Hoover is willing to let the newspaper boys have their melodrama if he can just get it over that the criminal bands of America must and will be caught and put away. That may sound like over-simplification, but, so far, Mr. Hoover has been effective in his vigorously applied techniques of finding, identifying and convicting crooks. That's his main idea.

GANG OPERATIONS

He knows the minute details of personnel and operations of the Barker-Karpis gang the way Toscanini knows the score of "Lohengrin." After the Garrettsville robbery, the teletype, linking the offices of the G-men, taps off a hunch that Karpis is bound for Florida. Mr. Hoover gives a few curt orders and systematically the agents in the field are closing in on every possible hide-out, dogging every known associate of Karpis, covering trains and highways in that section. It is large-scale, efficiently organized police work—no super-sleuthing. Mr. Hoover makes that clear. But it works. Karpis is in a stout, politician-proof jail, the latter being particularly important in the bureau's operations.

Mr. Hoover says emphatically that crime isn't conquered. But, last year, he and his special agents spent \$5,000,000 and recovered for the government \$38,000,000. The 3717 convictions obtained totaled 6768 years. That's an impressive beginning. This writer was privileged to observe something of the working of the anti-crime techniques. That fingerprint on the St. Paul beer bottle makes a good start for the detailed

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GELES TIME

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KARPIS FIRST TO FALL IN BIG ROUNDUP

Need of Fast Auto Was Key
That Unloaded Secret of
Desperado's Whereabouts

In this second of a series of articles on the secret methods of the G-men in running down murderers, kidnapers and robbers the capture of Alvin Karpis, who ascended to the underworld throne as "Public Enemy No. 1," is analysed.

By Stanley Carroll

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Alvin Karpis, coleader of the notorious Barker-Karpis gang, which terrorized the Middle West and Southwest, was the first of the nation's public enemies to fall in the recent dramatic roundup of bad men.

Modern transportation was the key that was the undoing of "Old Creepy," as Karpis was known intimately to his associates. Like all Federal fugitives, Karpis needed to move swiftly when the heat grew too intense in the spots where he sought hiding from the law.

Knowing this, J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, thoroughly circularized auto dealers with posters of the kidnapers and killers who had earned a place on his public enemy list.

Karpis needed a fast car, to make a getaway in the event he saw signs the G-men were closing in. He went to a dealer in New Orleans and talked with Clarence Pucheu, a salesman. Pucheu talked of the selling points of the car, carefully studying his prospective customer's face—particularly the scars left by a botch-job face-lifting operation.

HOUSE WATCHED

Karpis drifted back to special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The house where Karpis, known as Edward O'Hara, was staying, became the subject of the most intensive secret surveillance by G-men.

Operatives saw enough to convince them it was here Karpis was hiding. Swift plans for capturing him were made, but even the police were uninformed of the preparations.

Hoover, reached by long distance telephone, chartered a plane for New Orleans. Several hours later he descended at Shushan Airport and was rushed at once to a secret gathering place of his men.

There followed a hurried consultation, in which Hoover was given a clear description of the house and the neighborhood.

Moments later a stream of high-powered cars, filled with picked G-men armed with Tommy guns, automatic pistols, and tear gas bombs, rolled quietly down the street to reconnoiter around the front of the apartment house.

Just at that moment Karpis, Fred Hunter, alleged mail robber, and Hunter's girl walked out of the house and started for Karpis' car.

Hoover leaped from the car, followed by his men, all brandishing weapons ready for instant firing. Hoover addressed Karpis:

"All right, Karpis, put up your hands."

Terror gripped the swash-buckling buccaneer who had swaggered his way through pistol duels in bank and mail robberies, kidnappings and not a few clashes with police.

His hands shot into the air. Hunter, no less stunned and frightened, followed suit.

MEN SHACKLED

A moment later the men were shackled and taken with the woman to the waiting cars, which sped away.

There followed an intensive grilling, in which Karpis freely admitted he had lived for months in mortal fear—fear that at any moment a stream of Federal lead would cut off his life. He appeared relieved to be captured without a shooting.

A short time later a plane was speeding the public enemy back to St. Paul for trial in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., prominent brewer. There also another charge awaits him, the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

If these two counts are not enough, there are several others. Karpis wants a sentence for the Hamm job. That, he thinks, might stall off the murder raps, and state authorities are highly anxious to bring him to trial for at least one of the four killings.

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Robinson, Chained, Is Back in Louisville; Admits Kidnap

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And with that one word he sealed his own fate, for Allen knew at last the secret of the mysterious "woman" customer. He telephoned the G-men, gave them the car license number of the masquerader and then went back to his chicken sandwiches and cream pies while the famous federal sleuths took up the hunt for the man in woman's clothing.

Harry Campbell Guard In Bremer Kidnap For Three Weeks

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Manacled to a deputy U. S. marshal, Campbell was nervous and spoke in low tones. He wore a greenish gray suit, a blue shirt and a vivid red and white checked tie. He waived reading of the indictment.

Atty. Gen. Cummings Lauded For Keeping Hoover In Charge

Chairman Ashurst (D.-Ariz.) the senate judiciary committee, the senate today that the fed detectives were a "cool, courage resourceful, unpurchaseable" gro Atty. Gen. Cummings, Ash said, was to be commended "much courage and fore-sight" keeping Hoover when the pre administration assumed control.

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PAL OF KARPIS IS ARRAIGNED

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Hunter was arrested with a young woman, Ruth Robinson, at the Karpis apartment late Friday by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the bureau and about a score of his agents.

Ruth, a mysterious character in the case, was released without charge.

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CAMPBELL, PAL OF KARPIS, HELD

St. Paul, Minn.—(UP)—Harry Campbell, last principal of the Karpis-Barker gang, arrived here in a chartered airliner today, closely guarded by G-men who captured him in Toledo, Ohio.

Cleveland—(UP)—J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation today announced that Harry Campbell, companion of Alvin Karpis, has been captured in Toledo, Ohio.

It was Karpis who gave the tip that brought about Campbell's capture, a federal agent indicated.

The agent was asked:

"Is Karpis going to get the \$2,500 reward for Campbell's capture?"

"Well," the G-man replied, "he's entitled to it."

Campbell was the only remaining member of the Karpis-Barker gang and was arrested by Hoover at 5 o'clock this morning.

Hoover brought Campbell to Cleveland by airplane and then sent him on a chartered plane to St. Paul under guard of federal agents. The federal chief said only slight resistance was encountered

when he and his agents broke into Campbell's second floor apartment. They found a woman, who Hoover said was Campbell's wife, in the apartment with him. She was brought to Cleveland, but not placed under arrest.

Investigators found \$2,900 in cash, a revolver, and six clips of cartridges in the apartment.

Hoover said Campbell had been living in Toledo five months, or almost constantly since the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery, which he and Karpis allegedly directed last November. He had been in and out of Toledo for the last 18 months.

Karpis and Campbell were the two who stood guard over Edward Bremer, St. Paul banker, while he was held captive after being kidnaped, the "G" chief said.

In another raid at Toledo, federal agents captured Sam Coker, on parole from the Oklahoma State Prison at McAlester where he was serving a 30-year term for bank robbery. Hoover said Coker has been associated with the Karpis-Barker mob, but did not participate either in the Bremer kidnapping or the Garrettsville mail robbery.

The building in which Campbell was taken was a two-story store structure in which there were four apartments on the second floor above a delicatessen. Campbell lived in one of the front apartments. Hoover said Campbell had lived in Toledo under the name of Bob Miller.

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Hoover Leads Officers In Toledo Raid

FLOWN TO ST. PAUL

Report State Fugitive 'Fingered' Kidnap

BULLETIN

By United Press

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Federal Bureau of Investigation Director J. Edgar Hoover announced today that William Mahan, kidnaper of youthful George Weyerhaeuser was captured at noon in San Francisco.

Hoover said the capture was effected by FBI agents, and that Mahan was caught in a house on Minna-st between Sixth and Seventh-avs at 12:30 p. m.

Hoover said Mahan was alone when captured and that he had readily admitted his identity.

Harry Campbell, last of Oklahoma's Barker - Karpis gang, was captured at Toledo, O., at 5 a. m. today by Department of Justice agents, led by Director J. Edgar Hoover.

United Press dispatches said he surrendered without a struggle, was whisked to Cleveland and then transported by chartered plane to St. Paul, where his gangland chief, Alvin Karpis, is held in county jail.



HARRY CAMPBELL



Reliable sources here declared a few hours later that Campbell was "fingered" by Sam Coker, an Oklahoma bank robber who was paroled by Gov. E. W. Marland last Sept. 3. Coker was captured in a second raid at Toledo at approximately the same time, but federal agents gave no intimation that his arrest was connected with that of Campbell.

Captured With Wife

Short-statured Campbell, a minor Tulsa hoodlum until the notorious "Ma" Barker took him in hand five years ago, was arrested by Mr. Hoover personally, the United Press reported.

The director of the federal men said they broke into a second floor apartment, finding Campbell and a woman identified as his wife. Investigators found \$2900 in cash, a revolver and six clips of cartridges.

The girl was taken to Cleveland but was not placed under arrest.

Mr. Hoover, who flew to Toledo last night from Washington to direct the raid, disclosed that Campbell had been living in Toledo for five months, almost constantly since the Garrettsville, O., mail robbery last November.

Charged With Kidnaping

Campbell is charged at St. Paul in the Edward Bremer kidnaping and is supposed to have been one of the guards of the banker during his captivity. Karpis, captured last week at New Orleans, is charged in both the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings. The latter heard indictments read against him in Federal Court at St. Paul this morning and

was sent back to an "escape proof" cell in lieu of \$500,000 bond.

The United Press said in a copyrighted story from St. Paul that Karpis may have furnished the tip. This was indicated by a federal man who was waiting at the St. Paul airport for the ship bringing Campbell.

"Is Karpis going to get the \$2500 reward for Campbell's capture?" the agent was asked.

"Well," he replied, "he's entitled to it."

Faces Grilling

In the Department of Justice office at St. Paul, Campbell faced the prospect of long hours—perhaps days—of questioning in the Bremer kidnaping for which he has been indicted and in the Hamm kidnaping, with which he has not been linked definitely.

There was no danger the 35-year-old sub-lieutenant would meet his gang leader, Karpis, who was grilling for five days and nights.

It was during that time Karpis is believed to have broken down and given federal agents a list of possible hideouts where Campbell might be located, United Press reported. Karpis also reportedly confessed numerous other crimes, though possibly not the two major kidnapings for which he has been indicted in St. Paul.

State authorities denied any connection between Campbell and Coker. An operative of the state Crime Bureau was preparing to leave this afternoon to return Coker to the McAlester penitentiary.

Despite the denials, it was pointed out that on more than one occasion in the past a governor has freed a convict on the agreement that the convict would furnish information or lead officers to a wanted criminal.

Parole Was Revoked

Under ordinary circumstances Coker would not have been eligible for clemency. He was committed to prison March 17, 1924, to serve 30 years for robbing a bank at Shidler, in Osage County. Former Gov. William J. Holloway paroled him Jan. 10, 1931, and former Gov. William H. Murray revoked the parole a month later, when he took office.

Gov. Marland granted him a parole Sept. 3, then revoked it Feb. 27.

When a convict is freed on parole to help officers, it is customary to revoke the parole a short time later to make the convict "hot" and convince his underworld pals that the parole was not a frameup.

Coker is not wanted on federal charges and no reason was given why federal agents, intent on a major capture, should take time to pick up a minor hoodlum of Coker's caliber.

Tells of Capture

Mrs. Gerald Fossnaught of Toledo described Campbell's capture to the United Press. She did not know that the man who had lived next door to her was a fugitive from justice.

"This morning, about 5 o'clock," she said, "I was awakened by sounds on the stairs alongside the second-story apartment where we live. Looking out of the window, I saw four cars pulled up to the curb. Men were getting out of them, some carrying sawed-off shotguns, and some carrying suitcases.

"Four men remained on the street looking up at the windows of the apartment across the hall from ours. The rest of them, more than a dozen, I thought, came up the stairs hurriedly. Some went down the hall to the back door of the building, while the rest of them stayed in the hall in front of apartment No. 1.

Feet Were Chained

"They pounded on the door. A woman's voice answered them. It was Gertrude Miller's voice. 'What do you want?' she asked.

"We are federal officers and we're coming in," a man answered. Then they beat on the door again. When the door was opened, I heard them file into the room. There was scuffling sounds as if they were moving the furniture around.

"In a few minutes, they came out of the door, leading the man I knew as 'Mr. Miller.' His feet were chained and he was handcuffed to two of the officers. The attractive little girl I knew as 'Gertrude Miller' was brought out next."

State Offered \$1000

When news of Campbell's capture was telephoned to the state Crime Bureau, Assistant Superintendent Clint Miers and Advisor Harve Melton of the governor's staff were in the latter's office putting the finishing touches to a proclamation offering \$1000 reward for his capture.

Within another hour the proclamation would have been signed by Gov. Marland.

Although Campbell was "No. 2" on the Government's list of public enemies, he never played a dominant role in the Barker-Karpis gang. He grew up in Tulsa, and as a youth in his late teens fell in with Fred and Arthur (Doc) Barker, who likewise were on the Tulsa police list of "young punks."

By 1921 he had reached the stage where he was traveling in bank robbing company, and participated in a \$4500 Lincoln County holdup.

Named in Attorney's Maying

During the next few years he was named frequently in minor crimes. But when the Barker boys were united in 1931 under the leadership of their mother, the notorious "Ma" Barker, Campbell stepped into "big time."

He was named as the man who fired the shot that killed J. Earl Smith, prominent Tulsa criminal trial lawyer, in 1932. Smith, who on several occasions represented members of the Barker-Karpis gang, was found shot to death in his car near Tulsa's Indian Hills Country Club.

On Jan. 22, 1935, he was indicted in the Bremer kidnaping and went on the Government's wanted list. Shortly after Freddie Barker and his mother were killed in Florida, Campbell and Karpis made a spectacular escape from police by shooting their way out of a trap at Atlantic City.

Married Last May

That was in January, 1935. Shortly afterward the two gangsters returned to Oklahoma, but eluded capture. Neither has been in the state for several months, officers say.

Hoover said Campbell married in May, 1935, at Bowling Green, Ohio, to the girl captured with him. He used the name Bob Miller, and was living under that name at Toledo. Hoover said his wife did not know his real identity.

Campbell is 36 years old, about

five feet, five inches in height and walks with a limp as a result of an old gun wound in his right leg.

His arrest leaves on the Government's list of major wanted men only T. H. Robinson Jr., sought for the kidnaping of Mrs. Alice Stoll in Louisville, and William Mahan, kidnaper of little George Weyerhaeuser at Tacoma.

But in Oklahoma officers list another man as a major criminal as yet uncaught. He is Pete Traxler, the lone survivor of the state's scores of notorious badmen, killer and robber.

With a \$500 price on his head, Traxler is wanted in the murder of a Pauls Valley policeman and the shooting of two peace officers at Calvin, in Hughes County.

Doubt Coker Guilt

For several years there has existed a grave doubt that Coker was guilty of the crime for which he went to prison, said Fred Cunningham, state clemency attorney.

In Cunningham's files are letters from the county attorney, sheriff, five jurors and important state witnesses in Osage County, many of them contending that Coker was not guilty. They attributed the conviction to aroused sentiment.

Despite this, Mr. Cunningham

Campbell, Pal Of Karpis, Is Now Prisoner

Hoover Leads G-Men in Last
Act of Gang Drive.

CLEVELAND, May 7.—
(AP)—Harry Campbell, 36
years old, limping pal of Al-
vin Karpis, erstwhile "public
enemy No. 1," and two oth-
ers fell into a G-men's trap
at Toledo, Ohio, at dawn
Thursday and were captured
without the firing of a shot.

The capture was made by J.
Edgar Hoover and a squad of
bureau of investigation agents.
Announcement of the capture
was made here by Hoover, who
flew to Cleveland after the cap-
ture.

Hoover said Campbell already was
on his way to St. Paul by plane to
face kidnaping charges in the Edward
Bremer abduction
case.



Harry Campbell
Taken with
Campbell, was a
19-year-old girl,
who claimed to be
Campbell's wife.
In a simultaneous
raid on another
apartment, federal
agents apprehend-
ed Sam Cokar, de-
scribed by Hoover
as a minor figure
in the decimated
Karpis gang. Cokar
is wanted in Okla-
homa as a parole violator. He was
serving a 30-year bank robbery term.

Apartment Is Surrounded
Federal men denied that John
Brock, of Tulsa, Okla., in jail here
charged with participating in a \$46,-
000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train rob-
bery, for which Karpis and Campbell
were wanted, provided the "tip." Kar-
pis was captured by federal agents
last Friday in New Orleans.

Federal men surrounded the Toledo
apartment building during the night,
Hoover said.

The agents rushed Campbell short-
ly after dawn as he and the girl
emerged from their apartment, pre-
sumably prepared to leave Toledo.

"Campbell showed a little resist-
ance," Hoover said. He intimated the
fugitive attempted to reach a .45 cal-
iber revolver found on his person.
The gangster had six clips of shells.

Last of Karpis Gang

"This is the last of the ring leaders
of the Karpis Gang," Hoover asserted.
He added that the government would
continue its hunt for persons who
aided the fugitives.

Hoover said the girl claimed she
married Campbell under his alias of
Bob Miller at Bowling Green, Ohio,
in May, 1935. She did not know of his
criminal career and probably will be
released, Hoover said.

The girl and Cokar are in custody
here, federal men said.

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\$200,000 Bail Is Fixed For Pal of Karpis

Fred Hunter to Be Taken To
Face Ohio Charge.

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Hunter was arrested with a young woman, Ruth Robinson, at the Karpis apartment late Friday by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the bureau, and about a score of his agents.

Ruth, a mysterious character in the case, was spirited away from the federal officers here by Magee and his operatives Tuesday and was released without charge.

ST. PAUL, May 6.—(AP)—County Attorney Harold E. Stassen of Dakota county late Wednesday conferred with federal officials seeking permission to have witnesses view Alvin Karpis in an effort to clear up the south St. Paul pay roll holdup in 1933 when a patrolman was slain.

Stassen said he planned to summon a special grand jury late this month and ask indictment of Karpis, Charles Fitzgerald and Arthur "Doc" Barker as members of a gang that staged the spectacular holdup. Karpis and Fitzgerald are under indictment as kidnapers of William Hamm jr., brewery head. Barker is in Alcatraz prison after conviction in the Edward G. Bremer abduction. Fitzgerald is held here in the Hamm case.

Federal officials said Karpis still is being questioned in the hope of determining the names of persons through whom the \$100,000 Hamm ransom was peddled and indicated no "showups" for witnesses in other crimes would be granted until they conclude grilling him.

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THE SENTINEL-RECORD
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GRACE GOLDSTEIN RETURNS; SAYS SHE MARRIED KARPIS

LEARNED GANGSTER'S
IDENTITY LATER,
SHE CLAIMS

RELEASED BY G-MEN

Hot Springs Woman, Mysteriously "Kidnaped" Two Weeks Ago, Says Public Enemy Spent Much Time In Hot Springs.

By JOHN SCUDDER, Jr.

Mrs. Grace Goldstein, 30-year-old proprietor of the Hatterie hotel, 2331-2 Central avenue, said last night she had been married to Alvin Karpis since last summer, but that she was not aware of his identity until three months ago.

She said they were married in New York city on one of a number of plane trips which they made there from Hot Springs, and that at the time she knew Karpis only as Ed Wood, who had come to her hotel as a guest many times and who eventually proposed to her.

Mrs. Goldstein, blonde and quiet-spoken, who charged yesterday when she reappeared here after a mysterious 12-day absence, that she had been held by federal agents while Karpis and the last of his gang were rounded up, admitted to no regrets upon finding out that she was married to U. S. Public Enemy No. 1.

"It was already done and there was nothing to do about it," she said. "I know I shouldn't have fallen in love with him, but he was so kind-hearted. All those boys are that way."

Mrs. Goldstein did not disclose the exact date of the New York marriage. After mentioning the wedding in connection with a trip to New York for the Baer-Louis fight last September 25, she said that date was not the right one. Later she referred to the wedding as having occurred in July, 1935.

She made no reference at any time to Karpis' first wife, the former Dorothy Slayman, of Tulsa, Okla., who obtained a divorce November 22, 1935, after marrying the gangster in December, 1931.

Mrs. Goldstein said the first indication she had that her husband was Karpis came through a newspaper picture which she saw during one of her husband's numerous absences from Hot Springs.

The pair had made Hot Springs their headquarters since their marriage, Mrs. Goldstein said.

Harry Campbell, former No. 2 public enemy, and Fred Hunter, ace Karpis gunman, both now in custody, were also here most of the time, she added.

Mrs. Goldstein revealed her marriage to Karpis when pressed for further information after she had told a reporter several times that she was "better than a close friend of Karpis."

Once she was asked if the government agents kidnapped her "because she was a close friend of the gangster."

"More than that," she replied, "the G-men said they felt they could capture Karpis better if I was out of the way."

"Are you and Karpis married?" the direct question came.

"Now that's more like it," the woman answered.

"When were you married?"

"About a year ago."

"Where were you married?"

"I'd rather not say, but it was in New York city during the Baer-Louis fight."

"Under what name were you married?"

"Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woods, Edward, the license read."

"Then you didn't know he was Alvin Karpis?"

"Oh, no. I didn't know till several months ago."

"Where did you meet him?"

"In Hot Springs, at my hotel here."

"You went to New York together?"

"Yes."

Mrs. Goldstein admitted she was broken up over the Karpis capture. She told about plane rides, hunting and fishing trips, auto trips over the city, and particularly one amusing incident when a local traffic officer questioned Karpis after an accident.

The automobile accident occurred in front of the Sears-Roebuck store on upper Central here. Karpis, driving Mrs. Goldstein's car, struck an automobile driven by a woman. The cars were only slightly damaged and the officer asked Karpis what he intended to do about it. Mrs. Goldstein said Karpis replied he would gladly pay. The woman said the matter amused the gangster, as it was one of the first times an officer had seen him

close up since plastic surgery had changed his countenance.

"It was about three months before I learned he was Alvin Karpis," Mrs. Goldstein said. "We were at the Fairchild place (about six miles west of here on the Malvern road) then. Ed (the woman repeatedly referred to Karpis as Ed) was out of town, and I recognized a newspaper picture."

"I told one of his (Karpis') companions, and he admitted my husband was the gangster. Before I saw Ed again his friend tipped him off that I knew his identity."

"When he came home he admitted the fact, and I told him it was too late to do anything about it and that I would stick by him."

"From that time on we, Connie (Ruth Hamm Robison, said to be Hunter's girl) and Hunter lived at the Fairchild place. Ed practiced shooting a lot. He would place a target up, say, 'Honey, that's a G-man, and shoot. He always hit. He was darn good.'"

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"He left the Fairchild place three days before the government and postoffice men raided it. (The raid took place on the early morning of March 31.)

"He stayed away about a week, then came back here and stayed until two weeks ago tonight. But he harbored me; I didn't harbor him. He never was in my place."

"Did you visit him in New Orleans?"

"Yes; I was down there awhile. He brought me home two weeks ago. That was when he was here."

"Did you go to his apartment there?"

"Yes."

"Did you go to Hunter's apartment?" (This was where Karpis, Hunter and the Robison girl were taken by Department of Justice men.)

"Yes, I visited there, too."

Asked where they lived during the last year, Mrs. Goldstein said in and around town."

"Karpis spent a lot of money here. He bought six or seven Stetson hats every week. The last time I saw him he said, 'Honey, you've cost me a lot of money since Christmas.' I asked him how much, and he said about \$9,000."

The reporter asked what she did with the money, and she replied she had "bought a lot of cars."

"He gave me \$1,800 to buy a Christmas present with," she volunteered. "That was when I knew him as Ed Wood and he never explained about his money other than he had plenty."

She referred frequently of the months spent here, especially to fishing trips on the lakes.

Asked about a Toledo, Ohio, newspaper report that Karpis had "put the finger" on his pal, Harry Campbell, the woman replied: "I'd bet my life Ed never did anything like that."

The reporter asked if she intended to get a divorce.

"I don't know," she said.

"You'll never get to see him again," the newsman prompted.

"I don't know about that either," she said. "You know when they take Karpis out to Alcatraz (federal prison island off the California coast) there will be a lot more out there just like him. Gosh, the whole gang will be in. I'd sure hate to be a guard there," she ended.

Yesterday afternoon it was learned the woman had returned home. At that time she talked freely of her trip with the G-men. She said they "escorted her over the U. S."

Mrs. Goldstein was "kidnapped" from her hotel Monday, April 27. A lone man took her into custody as she entered. She was not allowed to take any baggage.

First asked where she had been,

Mrs. Goldstein replied "The Karpis gang didn't have me. They wouldn't harm a hair in my head."

"We understood you were with the G-men, the caller prompted.

"That's more like it," she replied.

"Did the government agents take you to St. Paul?"

"Yes."

"Where else?"

"They took me so many places, so fast, that I cannot remember."

She was asked if Ruth Hamm Robison, taken at New Orleans, was the Connie Morris who resided with her two years.

Replying yes, Mrs. Goldstein said she had introduced Connie Morris to Hunter last June, about the time she met Karpis.

At that time, unconscious of the fact that Karpis and Mrs. Goldstein were married, the reporter asked if the "woman in white" in the New Orleans case was Karpis' girl.

"No," she said, "Karpis didn't have a girl. He was a very close friend of mine, though."

Referred to a recent newspaper story that Mrs. John Hamm, of Davidson, Okla., believed Connie to be her daughter, Mrs. Goldstein admitted the fact. Mrs. Hamm recently told The Associated Press that her daughter left home after a high school marriage failed.

Last night Mrs. Goldstein admitted that Connie had gone home but that she would come to Hot Springs in two or three days. At first she would only say Connie was "close by."

Mrs. Goldstein scoffed at the idea of the 20-year-old Connie being the one who "put the finger on Karpis." The girl has been released by department of justice agents.

At Little Rock, B. L. Damron, temporarily in charge of the Arkansas division of the U. S. Department of Justice, said with reference to Mrs. Goldstein's story:

"We know of Mrs. Goldstein, but we do not know anything of her statement of today."

Mr. Damron, who declined to discuss the matter during the afternoon, could not be located later on for a statement as to new developments.

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Harry Campbell Is Seized in Toledo

CLEVELAND, May 7. (AP)—Harry Campbell, 36 years old, limping pal of Alvin Karpis, erstwhile "public enemy No. 1," and two others fell into a G-men's trap at Toledo, Ohio, at dawn Thursday and were captured without the firing of a shot.



Harry Campbell was a 19-year-old girl, who claimed to be Campbell's wife.

In a simultaneous raid on another apartment, federal agents apprehended Sam Coker, described by Hoover as a minor figure in the decimated Karpis gang. Coker is wanted in Oklahoma as a parole violator. He was serving a 30-year bank robbery term.

Federal men surrounded the Toledo apartment building during the night, Hoover said.

The agents rushed Campbell shortly after dawn as he and the girl emerged from their apartment, presumably prepared to leave Toledo.

"Campbell showed a little resistance," Hoover said. He intimated the fugitive attempted to reach a .45 caliber revolver found on his person. The gangster had six clips of shells.

"This is the last of the ring leaders of the Karpis Gang," Hoover asserted. He added that the government would continue its hunt for persons who aided the fugitives.

Campbell was taken by plane to St. Paul and by midday was in the bureau of investigation office there undergoing the same rigid questioning that Karpis faced only a few days ago in the same room. Both are charged with the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping. Karpis was captured last Friday by federal agents in New Orleans.

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CAMPBELL GRILLED BY FEDERAL AGENTS

Probing Opens Quest for New
Gang Suspects

By United Press
ST. PAUL, May 9.—Harry Campbell Saturday night entered his 75th hour of persistent questioning by federal agents who apparently had started other bureaus in quest of new suspects in Barker-Karpis gang activities.

As reports came in of renewed activity in Cleveland, Toledo and other points where Campbell and others of the gang hid out it appeared the probing of Campbell and Alvin Karpis in St. Paul was producing results.

Federal agents gave no indication of the trend of their inquiry. They showed little interest in purported evidence of a Barker-Karpis jail delivery plot that nearly materialized. They concentrated on Campbell and Karpis whose total bail may be \$1,000,000, according to the district attorney's office.

The find of a cache of soggy dynamite and machine gun ammunition on the farm of Harry Sawyer, convicted in the Bremer case, was announced by Sheriff Tom Gibbons.

He believed it had been intended for use in freeing Arthur (Doc) Barker and others prior to the Bremer trial more than a year ago.

Barker was sentenced to life imprisonment. At that time Sawyer was a fugitive.

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Karpis Pal Won't 'Talk' to Federals

ST. PAUL, May 10.—(AP)—True to the underworld code, Harry Campbell, limping Barker-Karpis gangster, still refused to "squeal" as he passed his 85th hour Sunday night in leg irons and manacles in the federal bureau of investigation office here.

Federal agents, working in relays continued to pound Campbell with questions concerning persons who aided him and his chieftain, Alvin Karpis, while they were sought for nearly three years for two major kidnappings.

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KARPIS MINE, WOMAN SAYS

Hot Springs Blond Claims
Gunman Is Husband.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 8.—(AP)—Mrs. Grace Goldstein, 30-year-old quiet-spoken blonde, said here Friday night that she and Alvin Karpis were married in New York city last September 25.

She said they had been married under the name of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woods and had lived in Hot Springs since that time until Karpis's capture at New Orleans last week.

Mrs. Goldstein returned here Friday after a mysterious absence of 12 days, saying she had been detained by federal agents while Karpis and the last of his gang were being rounded up by the department of justice.

Mrs. Goldstein told newspapermen she would "rather not say" when asked where she and Karpis were married, but said "it was in New York city during the Baer-Louis fight."

"I know I shouldn't have fallen in love with him, but he was so kind hearted. All those boys are that way," said Mrs. Goldstein.

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Minneapolis Wants Karpis for Murder

ST. PAUL, May 3.—(P)—Hennepin county authorities said Sunday night they would seek the indictment of Alvin Karpis on charges of murder and bank robbery in Minneapolis.

The gangster, questioned by U. S. agents concerning two kidnappings and other crimes, still was held in the federal building where he was confined after being flown here from New Orleans.

E. E. JOSEPH

MOTHER SOBS AS CAMPBELL LANDS IN NET

Parents, Living in Tulsa,
Are Heart-Broken.

TULSA, May 7.—(P)—While police officers and federal men spoke exultantly Thursday of the capture of Harry Campbell, his white-haired mother wept and said her son, outlaw companion of Alvin Karpis, had broken her heart.

For years, the misbehaving Campbell was "small fry" to officers of this section. Then his underworld record grew worse when his name was linked with those of Karpis and the late Freddie Barker. Last February 28, the police got a definite statement that he killed J. Earl Smith, Tulsa criminal lawyer, in cold blood Aug. 19, 1932.

Campbell's parents, law-abiding, kindly Mr. and Mrs. George C. Campbell, saying their son had "been a heartbreak to them," secluded themselves and refused to discuss directly the arrest of their erring son.

Government Case Better

Officers here said it was unlikely Campbell would be sought for trial at Claremore, Rogers county, in the slaying of Smith.

"The government has much better cases against Campbell in the Bremer and Hamm kidnappings and the Garrettsville, Ohio, \$50,000 train robbery," said Sheriff Garland Marrs.

At Claremore, the present county officials were to confer with their predecessors in office to sift the evidence against Campbell in the Smith slaying.

After he made a statement to Maj. Wint Smith, head of the Kansas state highway patrol, Jimmie Lawson, life term at Lansing state penitentiary, was brought here last February to tell of the Smith slaying.

Crime Is Reconstructed

Smith had called Campbell in an effort to collect \$3,200 attorney's fee for defending him in a robbery case, Lawson said. Campbell with Eddie Snyder, now serving a 25-year sentence for robbery in Oklahoma, and Lawson, met Smith near the Indian Hills golf course outside of Tulsa. Snyder, he said, hit Smith over the head and Campbell shot the attorney fatally.

"Campbell told me my involvement in the Smith killing was a break for me and now I could join the Karpis gang," Lawson told police here.

Campbell is wanted also for jumping bond for the charge of burglary.



Harry Campbell



Sam Coker

in the robbery of the H. F. Wilcox Oil and Gas Co. offices here April 14, 1932.

Sam Coker, the man arrested with Campbell was charged with Karpis in a Henryetta jewel robbery in 1931. Coker had been sentenced to 20 years for the robbery of a Shidler bank in 1934 and paroled.

Recently his second parole was revoked when the state crime bureau was informed he was associated with the Karpis gang.

AGENTS SN KARPIS P TOLEDO,

Harry Campbell Is Rushed
To St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, May 7.—(P)—In a capture that was almost a copy of that of his erstwhile gang chief Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, last uncaught principal of the Barker-Karpis gang, was seized at dawn Thursday in Toledo, Ohio, bundled into an airplane, and whisked here for questioning about a long series of kidnappings and robberies.

Not a trigger was squeezed as government officers led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the bureau of investigation closed in. Campbell is under indictment in the \$200,000 abduction here in 1934 of Edward G. Bremer.

"Campbell showed a little resistance," said Hoover, intimating his quarry reached for a gun. But the heavily armed federal men who had surrounded the Toledo apartment building during the night, pounced on him as he emerged and snatching his pistol from his pocket.

On his arrival in St. Paul, U. S. District Attorney George Sullivan announced bail of \$500,000 would be asked for the gangster when he is arraigned on the kidnap charge.

A 19-year-old girl claiming to be Campbell's wife and Sam Coker, a minor member of the now broken Karpis-Barker mob, were nabbed also, but were not brought here with him. Coker was taken in a simultaneous raid on another apartment house in Toledo. The girl was seized with Campbell.

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KARPIS TAKEN TO KIDNAPING SPOT-'SCARED'

'He Can't Even Talk,' Hoover
Says in St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, May 2.—(P)—Alvin Karpis, long hunted as leader of a gang charged with carrying out two of the nation's major kidnappings, was returned Saturday to the scene of those crimes after being seized Friday night in a bloodless department of justice coup in New Orleans.

Karpis, the nation's most widely sought criminal, had boasted he "wouldn't be taken alive," but J. Edgar Hoover, head of the federal bureau of investigation, who led the capture and escorted the prisoner here by airplane, said Karpis was "so damned scared he couldn't talk."

Not a shot was fired in New Orleans by the heavily armed agents. Karpis was brought here by Hoover and eight federal agents after a 12-hour airplane trip marked by detours and hazardous flying weather.

No Reward for Arrest

Shackled with heavy chains, the prisoner often dubbed the latest public enemy No. 1 was rushed to the federal building upon arrival.

Hoover left early Saturday by plane for New York. When his chartered ship paused briefly at Chicago, he announced:

"Karpis's arrest was brought about entirely by department of justice agents. There were no tips from outsiders and no reward will be paid."

Rewards totaling \$7,000 had been offered for the apprehension and conviction of the gang leader.

Arraignment Date Unknown

When Karpis would be arraigned and whether he would be tried first for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Banker Edward G. Bremer or the seizure of William Hamm jr., brewing company head, who paid \$100,000 for his freedom, District Attorney George F. Sullivan was unable to say. Hamm was kidnaped June 15, 1933, and Bremer Jan. 17, 1934.

Authorities in Washington said the 26-year-old former convict faces the prospect of spending the remainder of his life in Alcatraz prison, if convicted of either kidnaping.

A death penalty might be asked under the Lindbergh law if the trial should develop that a victim had been injured while held.

Crime List a Long One

At least two other demands for custody of Karpis were indicated. Hoover said Karpis was wanted for three kidnappings, including those of Bremer and Hamm, the slaying of a sheriff, 15 bank robberies, three or four small holdups, and complicity in the slaying of "three or four other fellows."

Postal authorities said they would like to try Karpis for the \$46,000 mail train robbery at Garrettsville, Ohio, last November 7, if he did not receive a death sentence on some other charge. Fred Hunter, also wanted for the Garrettsville holdup and a woman also were captured with Karpis.

In West Plains, Mo., Sheriff Ed Threlkeld said he had asked that Karpis be brought there for trial for the slaying of Sheriff Roy C. Kelly in December, 1931. He did not expect his request would be complied with, however.

Nabbed on Entering Car

Hoover related that agents had been trailing Karpis for two or three days before his capture. When definite information was obtained they surrounded the apartment in which he lived with Fred Hunter and a woman, planning to raid it. But before they could enter, the three emerged.

"We nabbed them after they had entered their car," Hoover said. "There was a rifle in the back seat, but Karpis or Hunter didn't have a chance to reach for it. Neither carried pistols."

The capture, he continued, "rings down the curtain on all the principals in the Barker-Karpis mob," charged

by the government with pe both the Hamm and Brem tions.

Karpis had undergone pl gery, but was easily recogni photographs, Hoover said.

had had his finger tips treat Campbell Alone at La

A sidelight on the capture statement in Port Clinton, Ohio, of John Zetser, 35 years old, who said he believed he had unwittingly aided Karpis and two companions by flying them to Hot Springs, Ark., and Tulsa, Okla., a few weeks after the Garrettsville holdup.

Karpis's seizure followed by only a few days his indictment for the Hamm kidnaping, and the capture of three others as plotters in the crime.

The only member of the gang still at large is Harry Campbell, long an associate of Karpis. Asked if Campbell now would succeed to designation as public enemy No. 1, Hoover replied:

"We don't give them any rating in the federal bureau of investigation. They are all yellow rats to us. That was proven Friday night."

The Rest of the Gang

Bryan "Byron" Bolton is in jail here awaiting sentence on his guilty plea in the Bremer case. Ewmer Farmer is serving a jail term for the Bremer abduction, and John Peifer, St. Paul night club operator; Charles Fitzgerald, Los Angeles; and Edmund C. Bartholmey, former Bensenville, Ill., postmaster, have been arrested in the latest roundup of Hamm suspects, which the department of justice termed solution of the case.

Other former members or associates of the Barker-Karpis gang serving prison terms for the Bremer kidnaping are William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, Cassius McDonald, Harold Alderton, Volney Davis and Oliver Berg. Several members, including Fred and "Ma" Barker, mother of Arthur and Fred; William Harrison and Fred Goetz, have been slain.

Hunter and the woman taken with Karpis, named as Ruth Draper by the authorities, were held in New Orleans. Authorities planned to return Hunter to Ohio to answer to charges of participating in the Garrettsville robbery.

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Bracelets on a Bad Man



SHACKLED—Alvin Karpis, heavily manacled, is shown in this wirephoto as he mounted the steps of the federal building in St. Paul. After his capture in New Orleans late Friday, he was taken to St. Paul by plane to face charges of kidnaping. Dwight Brantley, left, agent in charge of the Oklahoma City office, and Clarence Hurt, former city police detective, are shown with Karpis. Both aided in the New Orleans raid.

That Nice Man?

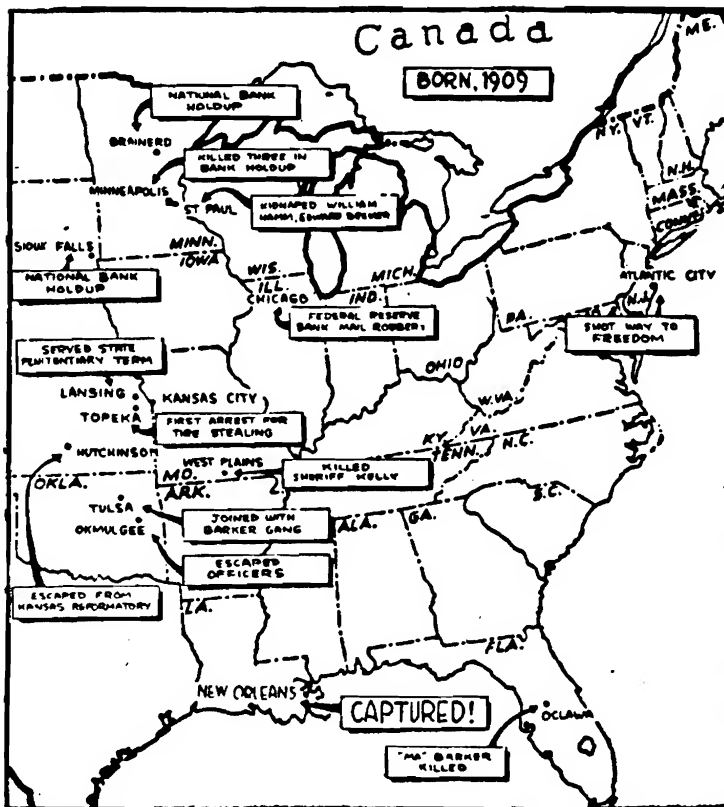


SURPRISED—"Why, only this afternoon he helped me break into my storeroom!" Thus Mrs. J. S. Meyer, manager of the New Orleans apartment house where Alvin Karpis was captured, expressed her surprise Friday night when federal agents arrested her tenant.—(Wirephoto).

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The Karpis Crime Career



RECORD—Map shows the crime career of Alvin Karpis, born Raymond Karpavicz, in Canada in 1909. (Wirephoto.)

HOOVER LEADS RAIDERS; TWO CRONIES HELD

No. 1 Bad Man Taken Without Shot.

NEW ORLEANS, May 1.—(P)—Alvin Karpis, No. 1 bad man of the United States, was captured here Friday night by federal agents.

The raiding party was led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, who traveled from Washington to direct the capture.

A few hours later the desperado, heavily guarded and manacled, was placed aboard an airplane and taken from the city. The destination was unannounced.

(Early Saturday, the air liner landed at St. Louis, took on fuel, and at 1 a. m. was still waiting for weather conditions to clear up. Neither agents nor Karpis left the plane. The final destination still remained undisclosed.)

Two Others Taken

The arrest was made without a shot being fired.

Taken into custody with Karpis was Fred Hunter, 37-year-old suspect in the \$43,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery and a woman known only as "Ruth."

The trio was nabbed as they emerged from an apartment building about half a mile from the center of the business district.

Hoover told of the capture of Karpis with this simple statement:

"We've captured Alvin Karpis, generally known as Public Enemy No. 1—but not to us."

\$7,000 in Rewards Posted

Then he added: "They were taken without the firing of a shot. Karpis never had a chance. There were too many guns on him."

Karpis is under indictment for the \$100,000 kidnaping of William A. Hamm jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer, and the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker. He is wanted for murder in connection with the slaying of Sheriff C. R. Kelley at West Plains, Mo., in December, 1931.

Within the past two weeks, the federal government placed rewards totalling \$7,000 on Karpis's head.

Hoover said the bureau of investigation had known Karpis had been in and out of New Orleans for the past several months.

Hoover Makes Announcement

Smiling slightly, Hoover made his announcement of the capture in the divisional bureau office about an hour after the raid, saying: "I've got something interesting to tell you."

Hoover did not say how many men took part in the capture. Unofficially, it was reported that from 15 to 20 agents participated.

"They were in an apartment on the first floor of the building and were leaving the house to enter an automobile when the agents surrounded them," Hoover said.

"The agents called upon them to surrender and they were taken without the firing of a shot."

All Heavily Shackled

Shackles immediately were placed on the hands and feet of the three and then they were carried to the postoffice building.

Karpis had been living at the apartment with the woman, who was about 21 years old, pretty, red-haired and

dressed in white. Hunter visited them nightly, neighbors said.

John Campbell, janitor of the building described Karpis as a mild, pleasant man with a slight impediment in his speech who was interested in fishing.

Said Mrs. J. E. Meyer, owner of the apartment which Karpis rented:

"Imagine, that nice man! Why, only this afternoon he helped me break into my storeroom."

Campbell was burning trash beside the building when the arrest was made.

"I happened to look up and I saw Mr. O'Hara (Karpis) standing between two bushes near the curb between me and the corner. He was without his hat and his hands were tied with black cord.

"There was a man on each side of him. One of them had a machine gun and the other had a revolver. I walked over toward where he was and someone said, 'Get back there!'"

O'Hara (Karpis) was the first person arrested, the janitor said.

Hoover said that Karpis was armed but he was noncommittal about details of the raid.

Net Laid for Two Years

"How long has the net been laid for Karpis?" he was asked.

"For the past two years."

"But how long in New Orleans?"

"Oh, we've known he's been in and out of New Orleans for the past two months and have been on his trail."

"How many men participated in the capture?"

"We never give out figures."

"Did he offer any resistance?"

"He never had a chance. There were too many guns on him. We got him sitting in the automobile."

"Was Karpis armed?"

"Yes, he had a gun."

Hunter Wanted in Ohio

Karpis, wearing a straw hat, shirt and trousers, but no coat, was led out of the bureau's office in the post-office building.

Hunter, Hoover said, is not so well known as Karpis but added that "he is wanted for a postoffice robbery on Nov. 7, 1935, at Garrettsville, Ohio, in which \$34,000 was taken. Karpis was also connected with that robbery."

Six agents accompanied Karpis on the plane.

Other agents were posted in the apartment house Friday night.

HOOVER'S FIRST

WASHINGTON, May 1.—(P)—J. Edgar Hoover made his first arrest Friday night with the capture of Alvin Karpis in New Orleans.

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RELIEVED—These two St. Paul victims of the brazen Karpis-Barker gang obviously were relieved Friday night when informed of the capture of Ringleader Alvin Karpis in New Orleans. Said Edward G. Bremer, top, who paid \$200,000 for his freedom: "It's a further tribute to the zeal of the department of justice." Said William Hamm jr., bottom, whose abduction cost him \$100,000: "Congratulations to the department for a tough task nobly done."

HOOVER LEADS RAIDERS; TWO CRONIES HELD

No. 1 Bad Man Taken Without Shot.

NEW ORLEANS, May 1.—(P)—Alvin Karpis, No. 1 bad man of the United States, was captured here Friday night by federal agents.

The raiding party was led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, who traveled from Washington to direct the capture.

A few hours later the desperado, heavily guarded and manacled, was placed aboard an airplane and taken from the city. The destination was unannounced.

(Early Saturday, the air liner landed at St. Louis, took on fuel, and at 1 a. m. was still waiting for weather conditions to clear up. Neither agents nor Karpis left the plane. The final destination still remained undisclosed.)

Two Others Taken

The arrest was made without a shot being fired.

Taken into custody with Karpis was Fred Hunter, 37-year-old suspect in the \$43,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail robbery and a woman known only as "Ruth."

The trio was nabbed as they emerged from an apartment building about half a mile from the center of the business district.

Hoover told of the capture of Karpis with this simple statement:

"We've captured Alvin Karpis, generally known as Public Enemy No. 1—but not to us."

\$7,000 in Rewards Posted

Then he added: "They were taken without the firing of a shot. Karpis never had a chance. There were too many guns on him."

Karpis is under indictment for the \$100,000 kidnaping of William A. Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer, and the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker. He is wanted for murder in connection with the slaying of Sheriff C. R. Kelley at West Plains, Mo., in December, 1931.

Within the past two weeks, the federal government placed rewards totalling \$7,000 on Karpis's head.

Hoover said the bureau of investigation had known Karpis had been in and out of New Orleans for the past several months.

Hoover Makes Announcement

Smiling slightly, Hoover made his announcement of the capture in the divisional bureau office about an hour after the raid, saying: "I've got something interesting to tell you."

Hoover did not say how many men took part in the capture. Unofficially, it was reported that from 15 to 20 agents participated.

"They were in an apartment on the first floor of the building and were leaving the house to enter an automobile when the agents surrounded them," Hoover said.

"The agents called upon them to surrender and they were taken without the firing of a shot."

All Heavily Shackled

Shackles immediately were placed on the hands and feet of the three and then they were carried to the postoffice building.

Karpis had been living at the apartment with the woman, who was about 21 years old, pretty, red-haired and dressed in white. Hunter visited them nightly, neighbors said.

John Campbell, janitor of the building described Karpis as a mild, pleasant man with a slight impediment in his speech who was interested in fishing.

Said Mrs. J. S. Meyer, owner of the apartment which Karpis rented:

"Imagine, that nice man! Why, only this afternoon he helped me break into my storeroom."

Campbell was burning trash beside the building when the arrest was made.

"I happened to look up and I saw Mr. O'Hara (Karpis) standing between two bushes near the curb between me and the corner. He was without his hat and his hands were tied with black cord.

"There was a man on each side of him. One of them had a machine gun and the other had a revolver. I walked over toward where he was and someone said, 'Get back there!'"

O'Hara (Karpis) was the first person arrested, the janitor said.

Hoover said that Karpis was armed but he was noncommittal about details of the raid.

Net Laid for Two Years

"How long has the net been laid for Karpis?" he was asked.

"For the past two years."

"But how long in New Orleans?"

"Oh, we've known he's been out of New Orleans for the past months and have been on his trail."

"How many men participated in the capture?"

"We never give out figures."

"Did he offer any resistance?"

"He never had a chance."

"Were there too many guns on him?"

"He was sitting in the automobile."

"Was Karpis armed?"

"Yes, he had a gun."

Hunter Wanted in Ohio

Karpis, wearing a straw hat, shirt and trousers, but no coat, was led out of the bureau's office in the postoffice building.

Hunter, Hoover said, is not so well known as Karpis but added that "he is wanted for a postoffice robbery on Nov. 7, 1935, at Garrettsville, Ohio, in which \$34,000 was taken. Karpis was also connected with that robbery."

Six agents accompanied Karpis on the plane.

Other agents were posted in the apartment house Friday night.

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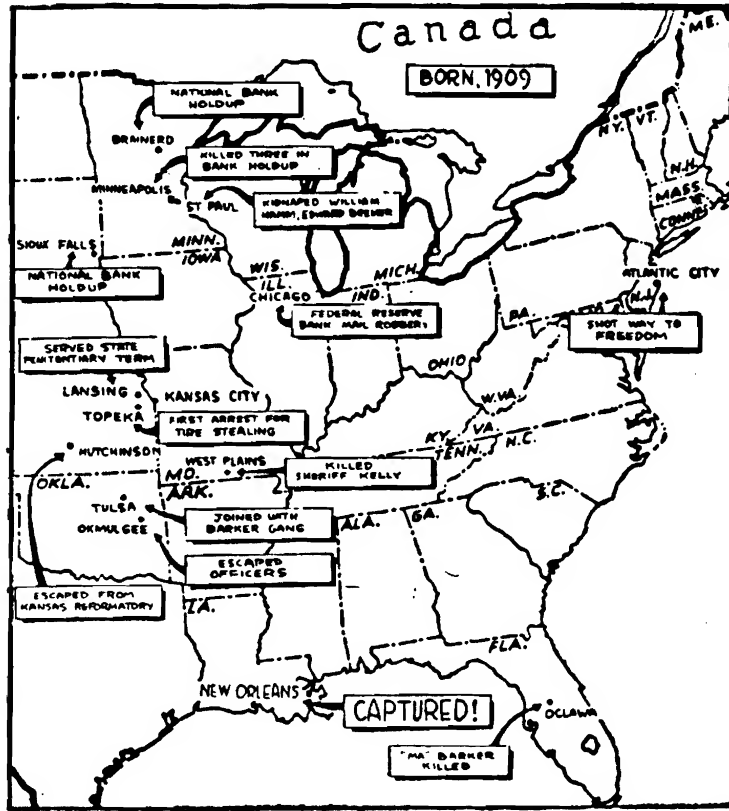
WEST PLAINS WANTS HIM

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"I've got the .45 and .38 caliber bullets down in my office that he and Fred Barker used to kill Sheriff Kelly. We really want Karpis here, and if we get him—"

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The Karpis Crime Career



RECORD—Map shows the crime career of Alvin Karpis, born Raymond Karpavicz, in Canada in 1909. (Wirephoto.)

THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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FREE RIDE: William Mahan got a free plane ride at the expense of the government soon after he was captured Thursday in San Francisco. Wirephoto shows him, manacled on the left, being led to a plane in the California city preparatory for the flight to Tacoma, Wash. The plane reached Tacoma at 11:57 p. m. Thursday (Oklahoma time.)

'Another Kidnaping Cleared



IN THE BAG—America's G-men Thursday announced capture of William Mahan, right, wanted for the kidnaping of little George Weyerhaeuser. Mahan was caught in San Francisco and taken at once to Tacoma, Wash.

Two Gangs Cleaned Up, Hoover Says.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(AP)—

In two swift and bloodless raids, justice department agents Thursday arrested William Mahan and Harry Campbell and wiped the list of unapprehended public enemies almost clean.

In San Francisco, Mahan was held for questioning in the \$200,000 kidnaping of little George Weyerhaeuser, lumber fortune heir, on May 24, 1935, at Tacoma, Wash.

Only a few hours before, another band of agents led by J. Edgar Hoover, captured the long-sought "limping pal" of Alvin Karpis—Harry Campbell, in Toledo. He was whisked by airplane to St. Paul, and grilled about the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer in 1934.

Ranking Public Enemies

Both Mahan and Campbell stood as top ranking public enemies after the capture of Karpis in New Orleans last Friday night, and Thursday night

a single "lone wolf" kidnaper, alone remained at large. He is Thomas H. Robinson Jr., wanted for the abduction of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, Louisville, Ky., society leader, on Oct. 10, 1934.

Hoover announced both of Thursday's captures. After he had talked with reporters for 15 minutes about the Campbell case, someone asked:

"When are you going to catch William Mahan?"

"Oh, by the way," Hoover said, "I almost forgot to tell you. We picked up Mahan in San Francisco at 12:30 this noon."

Coker May Be Returned

Hoover said Campbell had \$2,000 on his person when arrested and Sam Coker, also arrested at Toledo Thursday, had \$1,900. Hoover referred to Coker as "one of our dear parole boys from McAlester, Okla., state penitentiary."

Coker, he said, served a term with Arthur "Doc" Barker, and other members of the Barker-Karpis mob, which the capture of Campbell wiped out.

Although Coker could be charged with harboring a criminal, Hoover said he probably would be returned to Oklahoma penitentiary to serve the remaining 18 years of his 30-year sentence for a bank robbery at Nowata.

Ransom Cash Found After Arrest.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—(AP)—William Mahan, last of the big-time kidnapers, was captured here Thursday by department of justice agents.

The government men surrounded him as he sat in an automobile in a "south of Market" rooming house district, within gunshot of their office.

Four hours after the arrest—hours in which the accused leader of the \$200,000 George Weyerhaeuser kidnapping was questioned constantly—he was loaded into a chartered airplane with seven unidentified government agents and started for Tacoma, Wash., scene of the kidnapping.

Mahan was unarmed but had \$7,300 cash on his person, agents said. He offered no resistance, admitted his identity, but refused to confess.

Capture Details Not Revealed

The agents declined as usual to reveal details of the Mahan capture, beyond saying they caught him as he sat in an automobile in a parking lot.

Residents of the district, however, professed to have recognized the prisoner as a man they had seen hereabouts for six weeks.

"He was nuts about Chinese noodles," said a young waitress in a Fourth street restaurant which Mahan was reported to have patronized.

The girl, who refused to give her name, said Mahan always faced the door as he ate and concealed his face behind a newspaper.

Ransom Money Is Found

The justice department announcement of the capture said part of the \$7,300 found on Mahan was from the ransom money paid by J. P. Weyerhaeuser, lumber baron, for the return of his 9-year-old son after a week of dickering with the snatchers.

What became of the \$85,000 Mahan supposedly carried when he eluded a policeman in Butte, Mont., many months ago remained undisclosed.

Federal officers smarted into the justice department headquarters soon after the capture, presumably to question the prisoner, but they declined to answer queries.

The only word coming from the office was from Wayne Listerman, young agent in charge, who confirmed the Washington announcement of the capture.

The capture was under the direction of one of the youngest agents

in the service. Listerman, 28 years old, served as justice department chief at Brooklyn, N. Y., and Trenton, N. J., before coming here last January 25.

Mrs. K. D. Temple, proprietor of a small hotel across the street from justice department headquarters, said she was "positive" a "nervous man" who registered there Wednesday night was Mahan.

He took room 19, where he could look directly across the street at the federal building, headquarters of the justice department squad.

Mrs. Temple said the man left his room shortly before noon. Two federal agents arrived shortly afterward, she said, and searched the room. The announcement of his arrest said it took place at noon. The capture scene is only a short distance from the hotel.

Wide Area Was Searched

Mahan had been hunted in almost every western state since the apprehension of his pals in crime, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon M. Waley in Salt Lake City.

From the Canadian line to the Mexican border he was reported seen at various times. Only Wednesday night police set watch for him in Riverside, southern California.

Little George Weyerhaeuser received word of the capture as he was playing during recess at Lowell school in Tacoma. He was asked if he was glad.

"Uh, huh, I sure am," he said. "Don't talk!" yelled George's playmates in chorus as newspaper men plied further questions.

Mother Is Surprised

School authorities also declined permission for the interview, saying it was a matter of rules.

George was kidnapped as he walked home from that same school May 24, 1935.

"Surely, you're joking!" said Mrs. J. P. Weyerhaeuser, mother of the boy, when told the news. Her voice indicated deep emotion.

The husband and father, proprietor of large timber interests in the northwest, was not reached.

The Mahan arrest cleared up all the loose ends of the spectacular Weyerhaeuser case excepting the whereabouts of more than \$75,000 of the ransom.

Mr. and Mrs. Waley, captured when the woman passed one of the ransom bills in a Salt Lake city store, confessed and led officers to a cache of more than \$90,000 of the money in Immigrant canyon nearby.

The day after the Waley arrest Mahan was sighted in Butte by Policeman James E. Mooney, who had

recognized him as a man he had arrested years before on an Idaho bank robbery charge.

Mooney chased Mahan, who deserted an automobile and fled. A watchdog got in Mooney's way and enabled Mahan to escape. In the automobile, however, police found \$15,000 of the ransom money.

Waley was revealed as a man with a record of petty crime. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 45 years imprisonment. He is in Alcatraz prison now, only two or three miles from where Mahan's crime odyssey ended.

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Purse Theft Admitted

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By United Press
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"This was the man who said he never would be taken alive," mocked J. Edgar Hoover, dynamic chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who personally made the arrest at New Orleans Friday night.

"He offered no resistance whatsoever," Hoover said. "He was so nervous he could scarcely talk. His hands were shaking like a leaf and his knees shook as if he had the palsy."

Airtight Case

Karpis was a cringing, beaten man all during the 16-hour airplane trip with 10 G-men in a chartered airliner from New Orleans. His hands rattled the chains that bound him. He stepped about as ordered.

Authorities indicated they had an "airtight" case linking Karpis to the kidnaping of William Hamm Jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer.

Karpis and his late pal, Arthur (Doc) Barker—victim of G-men guns—also are alleged to have kidnaped Edward G. Bremer of St. Paul.

Has Plastic Operation

Hoover revealed before returning to New York that Karpis had attempted to conceal his identity like the late John Dillinger, by plastic surgery. A crude operation was performed on his long-jawed, pasty features by a former member of the Barker-Karpis gang, Dr. Joseph Moran, now believed dead.

The lobes of Karpis' ears had been cut and there was a deep scar under his left ear. His fingertips had been mutilated.

Hoover's tone as he announced details of the public enemy's capture was one of elation. Karpis once wrote Hoover threatening to kill him so the G-man chief made a personal flight to New Orleans to be in at the finish when he heard Karpis was there a few days ago.

Karpis was distinctly ill at ease as operatives questioned him about the Bremer and Hamm kidnapings.

For Karpis, it was bitter contrast to the gang's hey-day in St. Paul two years ago.

'Didn't Have Chance'

Hoover told how the G-men took their stations outside the apartment house where the gang leader had been living.

"He didn't have a chance after he left the door," Hoover said today. "He was covered from every angle."

And the man who owed his standing in gangland to his reputation as a killer was careful to make no move which might cost him his life. He had been in the South and Southwest about five months, Hoover said, "spending most of his time hunting and fishing."

Karpis' arrest cleaned out the last of the Barker-Karpis gang. His recent companion, however, Harry Campbell, still is at large.

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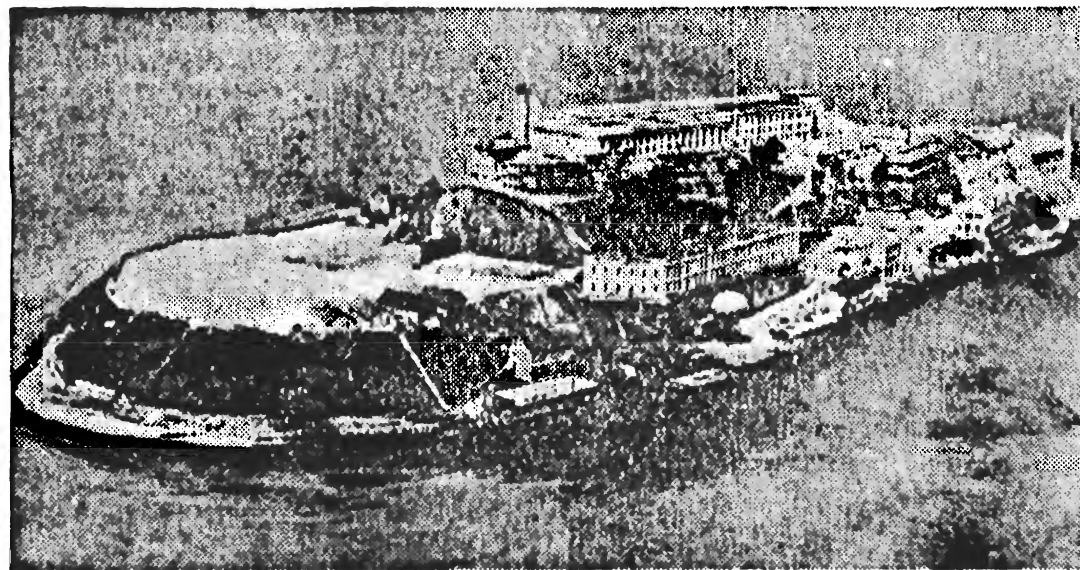
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Alvin Karpis, Inc., "Crime Syndicate"

<i>Debit</i>	<i>Credit</i>
Murders, 11	Kidnapings, \$300,000
Members in Prison, 15	Robberies, \$603,000
Members Killed, 10	Burglaries, \$176,200

Day of Judgment Approaches for Karpis and His Gang



Alcatraz prison, located on a precipitous island in San Francisco bay, may soon receive Alvin Karpis, unless the outlaw is executed for his many crimes. The picture shows America's Devil Island where criminals of the most vicious and irredeemable type are kept.



William Hamm, Jr., left, and Edward G. Bremer were two of the kidnap victims of the Karpis mob. Hamm paid \$100,000 ransom while Bremer paid \$200,000 for his release.

Killer Led 33 Gunmen In Rampage Over U.S.

Gang's Toll Shows 10 Killed; 15 in Prison;
7 Awaiting Trial; 1 Fugitive; 11
Murders to Be Answered

By Walter Biscup
Of The World Staff.

CRIME'S cancer—Alvin Karpis—has been removed.

A plague to law enforcement during the last six years, this diseased killer, extortionist and bandit led a merciless group of homicidists through the nation, leaving in his fearful wake the victims of 11 murders and pocketing \$1,079,200 in blood money!

These proceeds came from lawless enterprises as far flung as the state boundaries which the mob crossed with impunity.

The Karpis gang unhesitatingly plied its cruel activities in city as well as hamlet; in day and night; with craftiness and foolhardiness; against the strong as well as the weak.

It had only one motivating power—the warped brain of the 27-year-old menace who murdered because he found it convenient and who robbed because he was a born criminal.

Karpis, whose cruelty ranged from calmly sticking an ice pick through a victim's heart to clubbing a wanton woman who begged for the price of her shame, had long lived on borrowed time.

He saw duplicity and loyalty in his ranks and he also saw its decimation by bullets and prison sentences.

His own momentum kept him hopping from crime to crime; state to state and hide-out to hide-out. He knew all the angles and all the answers except the most trite one—that he could not evade the retributive law which was as exacting as the destiny he blindly followed.

The ominous shadow of this lethal crew crept into every section of the country and menaced the security of

KARPIS PAROLED

Five of the Karpis mob, including the leader, were paroled by William Murray when he was governor of Oklahoma.

Those granted clemency by Murray were Alvin Karpis, Freddie Barker, Arthur Barker, Glenn Roy Wright and Volney Davis.

scores of banks. The tremendous maze of the Karpis criminal activities so firmly woven into the fabric of today's mid and southwestern social order will probably never be untangled.

Desperate Mob.

During a recent visit to Tulsa J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, department of justice, who led the government officers when they apprehended Karpis in New Orleans, said this:

"The Karpis mob is undoubtedly the shrewdest, most desperate gang of outlaws within recent years."

His appraisal was not based on snap judgment. At the time he had a dossier of the gang's activities and it had violated every human law and every moral law.

Hoover, as every other officer, had vividly etched in his own mind the picture of Karpis—the man America's underworld named "Creepy"—the man whose character had been cast in the mold of manevolence.

At various times the mob had a personnel of 34 criminals who were finished specialists in the field of lawlessness.

Its roster follows:

Alvin Karpis, under arrest.
Frank Nash, killed.
Freddie Barker, killed.
John Hamilton, killed.
Russell (Rusty) Gibson, killed.
Kate (Ma) Barker, killed.
Herman Barker, suicide.
William J. Harrison, killed.
Verne Miller, killed.
Joseph P. Moran, killed.
Arthur (Doc) Barker, life imprisonment.

Dolores Delaney, serving five-year term.

Winona Burdette, serving five years.

Glenn Wright, serving 50 years.
Volney Davis, serving life term.
Oliver Berg, serving life term.

John J. McLaughlin, died in prison while serving term.

James J. Wilson, serving five years.

Harold Alderton, serving 20 years.

Byron Bolton, serving life term.

Elmer Farmer, serving 20 years.

Lloyd Barker, serving life term.

Pat Collins, serving five years.

Harry Sawyer, serving life term.

William Weaver, serving life term.

Cassius McDonald, awaiting sentence.

Edward C. Bartholmey, awaiting trial.

Jack Pfeiffer, awaiting trial.

C. J. Fitzpatrick, awaiting trial.

George (Burr Head) Keady, awaiting trial.

John Brock, awaiting trial.

Fred Hunter, awaiting trial.

Harry Campbell, fugitive.

Gang Wrecked.

The status of the mob today shows:

Serving prison sentences, 15.

Killed, 10.

Died natural death, 1.

At large, 1.

Awaiting trial, 7.

The murders credited to members of the mob were:

Sheriff C. R. Kelly, West Plains, Mo.

A. W. Dunlap, West St. Paul.

J. Earle Smith, Tulsa.

John Sherrill, Tulsa.

Leo Pavlak, Chester, Pa.

William J. Harrison, Chicago.

Leo Gorski, Minneapolis.

Ira Evans, Minneapolis.

Oscar Erickson, Minneapolis.

Verne Miller, Detroit.

Dr. Joseph A. Moran, Chicago.

The gang's ledger of activities showed they committed these major crimes:

Bremmer kidnaping, \$200,000.

Hamm kidnaping, \$100,000.

Wilcox Oil company burglary, Tulsa, April 18, 1932, \$100,000.

Burglary of W. E. Rowsey, safe, Muskogee, December 31, 1932, \$75,000.

Burglary Hutchinson, Kan., Gas company, November 10, 1932, \$1,200.

Robbery of Third Northwestern National bank, Minneapolis, December 16, 1932, \$20,000.

Robbery St. Paul pay roll, August 23, 1933, \$30,000.

Robbery Brainard, Minn., bank in March, 1934, \$30,000.

Robbery Sioux Falls, N. D., bank in 1934, \$40,000.

Robbery Mason City, Iowa, bank, 1934, \$50,000.

Robbery Chester, Pa., bank, July 21, 1935, \$48,000.

Bank messenger robbery in Oklahoma City, \$75,000.

Eastern railway postal car robbery, \$135,000.

Robbery Union Gas company, Coffeyville, Kan., January 9, 1932, \$2,000.

Robbery Stillwater, Okla., auction, April 6, 1934, \$5,000.

Robbery of train at Garrettsville, Ohio, November 17, 1935, \$46,000.

In addition to this list reliable officers assert the gang obtained more than \$100,000 in various hold-ups during the last seven years.

Ranged Far.

The gang at some time or other had operated in Tulsa, Chicago, Okmulgee, Oklahoma City, Hutchinson, Kan., Topeka, Kan., Lebo, Kan., Herington, Kan., St. Paul, Atlantic City, Philadelphia, West Plains, Mo., West St. Paul.

Webster, Wis., Claremore, Cleveland, Ohio, Allentown, Pa., Pittsburgh, Chester, Pa., Detroit, Dayton, Ohio, Kansas City, Mo., Muskogee, Casper, Wyo., Porter, Okla., Pawhuska, Coffeyville, Kan., Pampa, Texas, McClintocville, Pa., Kemp City, Texas, Ranger, Texas, Long Beach, Cal., Neosho, Mo., Sapulpa, Wichita, Kan., Oklawaha, Fla., Minneapolis, Evanston, Ill., and New Orleans.

What sort of a man or character was able to wield a gang of marauders into such a compact group that it could steal more than one million dollars?

Patriots will point with pride and view with alarm that Karpis was of foreign extraction. This point of nativity is unimportant, however, since the Karpis ranks were filled with willing members who were not foreign-born.

Joseph Karpavicz, who apparently has no criminal record, is the father of the notorious and until Friday the nation's public enemy No. 1.

Karpavicz and his wife left their Lithuanian farm and immigrated to Canada in the late eighties. Shortly after the turn of the century they moved to Kansas, and settled near Topeka. Karpavicz changed his name to Karpis as a matter of convenience.

A boy was born to the Karpis family in 1909. They named him Raymond Alvin Karpis. The lad's boyhood was no better and no worse than that of his Topeka playmates. Of interest is the fact that the notorious killer was once a marble champion in Topeka.

Before his seventeenth birthday, Karpis took his first faltering step along the highroad of crime. He was caught in a Jackson county, Kan., burglary and was sent to the Hutchinson, Kan., reformatory February 25, 1926. He escaped soon after.

The family then separated.

Joseph Karpis and his wife moved to Chicago and lived at 3010 Addison street. One sister, Mrs. A. E. Grooms, lived at 1234 Monroe street in Topeka. Another sister, Mrs. P. T. Newbold, lived at 108 North Francisco street in Chicago.

During the next three years young Karpis lived the life of a typical underworld "punk" who hovered at the fringe of various midwestern and southwestern mobs. Before he had attained his legal majority he definitely selected a life of crime.

He came to Tulsa early in 1931 and drifted to the West Tulsa boarding house operated by Mrs. Kate (Ma) Barker, an old crone who had already nurtured four sons into criminal careers. Ma Barker found Karpis a willing disciple who accepted her encouragement and advice. He and Fred Barker became accomplices in a series of burglaries and robberies here.

On May 23, 1931, Tulsa police received a tip that a group of outlaws was hiding at an apartment at 6

the ensuing gun battle. They abandoned their automobile. Officers found several bullet holes in the car had been plugged with putty.

Karpis Convicted.

A week later Karpis and Barker were arrested at Okmulgee and charged with the burglary of a Henryetta jewelry store. The evidence against Barker was insufficient so he was released but placed in custody at Claremore. He escaped from the Claremore jail soon after.

Karpis was convicted of the burglary and received a four-year sentence in Okmulgee county district court. After serving a year of this term in the state prison at McAlester he was given a parole. From that day until the time of his arrest Karpis was never in custody.

Karpis, Ma Barker, Fred Barker and Arthur (Doc) Barker then established their headquarters at St. Paul. Karpis became ambitious and felt irked at the dictatorial command which Ma Barker maintained over their operations.

Karpis had already tired of looting village banks. He was ready for the "big-time" crime. Frank Nash, later killed in the Kansas City union station massacre, met Karpis and Fred Barker in St. Paul and gave them the necessary contacts which enabled them to establish a working connection with Jimmy Keating and Tom Holden, two major bank robbers who had recently moved from Chicago after severing their relationship with the Al Capone interests.

From then on, Karpis took the lead and his gang spread terror through the midwest with their bank robberies, kidnappings, burglaries and murders.

Evidence shows that on several occasions the Karpis mob had interlocking interests with the John Dillinger and Touhy gangs and often exchanged members who were better suited for the crimes at hand.

During 1933, 1934 and 1935 the Karpis mob actually hit its stride. Officers would occasionally pick off some minor member and this eventually led to the arrest of more important workers in the mob. As the gang's strength increased, dissatisfaction reared up in its councils.

Escaped Fatal Fight.

Ma Barker finally decided to sever her ties and moved to Oklawaha, Fla. She took Freddie Barker with her. This upset Karpis, who had considered Barker his most invaluable aid. Harry Campbell, a proficient burglar, who once operated in Tulsa, was high in the ranks of the mob then. He argued that Barker's help could not be dispensed with.

Karpis and Campbell decided to make the trip to Florida and ask Barker to rejoin them. They failed in this, bought a new automobile at Miami and left.

The next day, January 16, 1935, department of justice agents stormed the Barker home and after a furious gun battle which lasted an hour, captured the establishment.

Barker and his mother were both dead—each had been hit eight times. Ma Barker, who began her mature life as a street corner psalm singer in Kansas City, Mo., ended it with a bloody machine gun clutched against her ample bosom.

If Karpis and Campbell had postponed their trip by 12 hours they

to avoid arrest for so long.

Karpis, Campbell and their female camp followers, Dolores Delaney and Winona Burdette, moved to Atlantic City. A patrolman's suspicions prompted officers to raid their rooms.

Karpis and Campbell, clad in underwear, escaped amidst a fusillade of machine gun bullets and gas bombs. With customary chivalry they left their molls behind. Both were arrested.

Dolores Delaney, 19 years old, two weeks later, on February, 1935, gave birth to a boy in a Philadelphia hospital. She proudly said Karpis was the father of the baby. The nation's crime scourge was too busy dodging death and arrest to send a layette to his son.

Hundreds of unverified stories were circulated regarding Karpis' movements. By this time his stature as a public enemy apparently warranted the customary legends which attach themselves to figures in the spotlight.

Officers Near Karpis.

G-men, sifting truth from rumor, fact from fiction, were slowly closing in on Karpis. The net was being inevitably drawn closer.

Intimate details of Karpis were whispered in various hideouts. Three stand out in strong relief because they accurately typify the career of this arch criminal.

When a Chicago prostitute asked Karpis for the pittance she said was her due, he whipped out his pistol and clubbed her into insensibility. He reached in her stocking top and took her small roll of bills. In his pockets he then had more than \$20,000 in "hot money."

Associates of Frank Nash contacted Karpis to obtain the services of a proficient killer for use in the Kansas City station when they planned to liberate Nash who was being taken to Leavenworth, Kan., prison. Karpis furnished Verne Miller, the former South Dakota sheriff, who turned bandit and killer. Miller did his share in the station slaughtering.

Miller made his mistake when he became voluble during his doped-crazed revelries. The mob wanted to kill him. It was agreeable to Karpis. Miller was put on the spot on the outskirts of Detroit. Officers found the bullet-riddled body trussed with wire. An ice pick had been impaled through Miller's heart. It was Karpis' gesture of scorn to a man who had already been murdered.

Then there was Dr. Joseph P. Moran of Chicago. He served a malpractice term in the Joliet, Ill., prison seven years ago and afterwards attached himself to Chicago's underworld.

Karpis and Campbell decided to have their fingerprints obliterated in March, 1934. They commissioned Moran to do the job and paid him \$1,000. They remained in bed for 10 days in a Chicago north side hideout. Moran knew that the cut finger tips would heal in time and the prints would never change. Neither Karpis nor Campbell knew it.

Moran then made Miller's mistake. When in his cups he boasted of the fact that Karpis and Campbell were chumps to pay him \$1,000 for a futile



This picture of Alvin Karpis was taken when the public enemy was serving portion of a burglary term in the McAlester state prison in 1931.

He was "taken for a ride" and incidentally was the first person to be "taken for a ride" in a motorboat. The mob killed him in a boat and dumped his weighted body into Lake Michigan.

Last November 32 a Karpis echo was heard in district court when Mrs. Dorothy Slayman Karpis divorced him. She said she met him in a Tulsa night club in 1931 and married him after he told her he was a jewelry salesman. He deserted her that winter and she has never seen him since.

Karpis has twice appeared before courts.

No impression was made on him. He is as unimpressed before the tribunal of his conscience.

He will probably remain that way—whether the remainder of his life is spent in Alcatraz prison or whether he marches to the gallows.

Doctor to Dillinger, Karpis Got One-Way 'Ride' on Lake

"Old Doc Moran" Cheated G-Men of Another Victim by Talking Too Much.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance.
WASHINGTON, May 13.—G-Men missed one member of the Barker-Karpis gang when they arrested Harry Campbell in Toledo recently. His body, weighted with rock, lies in Lake Erie, somewhere off Toledo's Harbor Light.

He was known to gangdom as Old Doc Moran and in his heyday he took a good slice of the income of the Barker-Karpis mob, following a break with an earlier associate, John Dillinger.

His Lake Erie grave resulted from Doc Moran's inability to drink and still hold his tongue.

Dr. Joseph P. Moran was born in 1895 at Spring Valley, Ill., where he was graduated from high school. He enlisted when the World War came and went to France. The war over, he came home determined to be a surgeon.

Graduated with Honors.

From Tufts Medical School in Boston he was graduated with honors and he returned to LaSalle, Ill., to practice. Presently he was arrested for an illegal operation and went to Joliet for three years.

In prison he performed hundreds of operations. Word of his skill spread outside prison walls, and when he got out he found a practice waiting in Chicago.

Soon Doc Moran was widely known as a "right guy" who for a price could shave telltale lines from gangster fingers or alter features so deftly as to defy detection.

His clients included the cream of Chicago's underworld. Later he operated on Alvin Karpis, Fred and Arthur Barker, Harry Campbell and others with public-enemy ratings.

Hamilton Paid \$5,000.

John Hamilton, brains of the Dillinger crew, paid him more than \$5,000 after being shot in an East Chicago bank stick-up.

J. Edgar Hoover wrote recently:—"In his drunken moments—and they were many—Moran liked to talk of his honor course in medical school. Imagination would wipe away the criminal stigma; he would become a great surgeon. Under these



The late Joseph B. Moran, surgeon to gangdom.

delusions he would attempt to force his surgical ability on anyone present."

Moran broke with the Dillinger mob shortly after the Little Bohemia incident in Wisconsin, when Hamilton was fatally shot. The story goes that Doc refused medical aid to Hamilton and let him die in the back room of a Chicago saloon. Doc then joined the Barker-Karpis outfit and was so involved in the Edward G. Bremer kidnaping case as to draw an indictment along with the rest.

Hated and Feared.

He kept on drinking, and despite his usefulness to the Barker brothers and Alvin Karpis he soon was hated and feared.

About a year ago, so the story goes, Doc and the rest of the mob were sitting around a table in a Toledo waterfront dive, drinking and talking.

Doc started telling the world that he had "too much on the gang" to fear violence. He was wrong. One Russell Gibson, drug addict and mobster, suggested a motor boat ride out into Lake Erie to sober up Moran.

Moran took the right one way.

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20 Others Taken In Ambush Trap Laid by G-Men



Harry Campbell Falls Into "G"
Men's Trap at Toledo

Hoover Directs Raids in Toledo, Ohio, in Swift Move

By Associated Press
CLEVELAND, May 7 — Harry Campbell, 36, humping pal of Alvin Karpis, erstwhile "public enemy No. 1," and two others fell into a "G" men's trap at Toledo, Ohio, at dawn today and was captured like his gangland leader a week ago in New Orleans, without the firing of a shot.

The capture was personally made by J. Edgar Hoover and a squad of bureau of investigation agents.

Announcement of the capture was made by Hoover, who flew here after the arrests. Hoover said Campbell already was on his way to St. Paul by plane to face kidnaping charges in the Edward Bremer abduction case.

Taken with Campbell, Hoover said, was a 19-year-old girl who claimed to be Campbell's wife.

Raids Simultaneous

In a simultaneous raid on another apartment, federal agents apprehended Sam Cokar, described by Hoover as a minor figure in the Karpis gang. Hoover disclosed that he flew to Toledo from Washington last night and directed Campbell's capture.

The "G" men's chief also led in the capture of Karpis. He declined to say how many agents participated and did not disclose the source of information which led to Campbell's apprehension.

Federal men denied that John Brock of Tulsa, Okla., in jail here charged with participating in a \$46,000 Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery, for which Karpis and Campbell were wanted, provided the "tip."

Federal men surrounded the Toledo apartment building in the night, Hoover said. Some were posted inside the lobby.

Carried Big Pistol

The agents rushed shortly after dawn as he emerged from the building, presumably prepared to leave.

"Campbell showed a little nerve," Hoover said. He is the fugitive attempted to .45-caliber pistol found on son.

The gangster had six shells in his possession.

"This is the last of the ride of the Karpis gang," Hoover

Karpis Is Indicated As Campbell's

ST. PAUL, May 7 (UP) — Karpis, cringing imprisonment leader, gave the tip that about capture of his chief ant, Harry Campbell, in Ohio, a G man indicated.

The federal agent was

"Is Karpis going to get the

reward for Campbell's capture?"

"Well," the G man replied, "he's

entitled to it."

ed. He added that the government would continue its hunt for persons who aided the fugitives.

Hoover said the girl claimed she married Campbell under his alias of Bob Miller at Bowling Green, Ohio, in May, 1935.

Cokar, he said, is wanted by Oklahoma authorities as a parole violator. He was sentenced to serve 30 years for bank robbery. The girl and Cokar are in custody here, federal men said.

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"I have reason to believe his body was dumped into Lake Erie after the Karpis crowd took him for a ride," Hoover declared.

The federal chief disclosed that Karpis and other members of the former Barker-Karpis gang escaped from a trap here in 1934, when "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians."

"We are looking into all angles involved in that tipoff," Hoover observed. "We're going to get all those who aided and abetted or harbored that gang in Cleveland—the doctors, lawyers and politicians."

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Submitted by Special Agent in Charge
Salt Lake City, Utah

Sheriff At Toledo Drank Beers With Gangster Campbell

TOLEDO, O., May 8.—(I.N.S.)—Reports that sensational new developments are imminent as the outgrowth of the capture here yesterday of Harry Campbell, last major Karpis gang figure, circulated today as G-men silently pursued an intensive investigation.

A number of Toledoans will be questioned on the theory that they may have some knowledge of the activities of Campbell and Alvin Karpis when the gang had a hideout here, it was reported.

Sheriff James O'Reilly, meanwhile, admitted he knew Harry Campbell under the name of "Bob Miller," and had drunk beer with him on several occasions.

O'Reilly said he had never noticed a picture of Campbell posted on the County Jail bulletin board, and added he always thought Campbell was a big man, while Miller "is just a little fellow."

"I'm sure my friends never thought I lacked courage," the Sheriff said. "If I had suspected who he was I'd certainly have arrested him. Nothing would have helped my candidacy more than to have picked him up. I saw him at the ball game and could have arrested him there if I'd known who he was. The place was full of coppers."

The Sheriff, a dog fancier, said he became acquainted with "Miller" through the owner of a beer parlor where one of the Sheriff's "Scotty" dogs was kept. Campbell's wife took an interest in the dog and inquired where she might buy one like it. The cafe proprietor later introduced O'Reilly to her husband as "Bob Miller," he said.

"That was the introduction I had to Bob Miller, who now turns out to be Campbell or whatever his name is," the Sheriff said. "From time to time I'd see Miller on the street and pass the time of day with him. I had beer with him on several occasions, but I never sat at a table with him in my life."

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MAHAN, CAMPBELL CAUGHT BY G-MEN

Arrests Wipe Slate Clean
with Exception of
Robinson

Washington—(AP)—In two swift and bloodless raids, Justice Department agents working more than half the width of the nation apart arrested William Mahan and Harry Campbell and wiped the list of unapprehended public enemies almost clean.

Mahan was captured in San Francisco as he sat in an automobile on a crowded parking lot. He was headed toward Tacoma, Wash., for questioning in the \$200,000 kidnaping of little George Weyerhaeuser, lumber fortune heir, on May 24, 1935.

Only a few hours before, another band of agents led by J. Edgar Hoover captured, at dawn, in Toledo the long-sought "limping pal" of Alvin Karpis—Harry Campbell. He was whisked by airplane to St. Paul, and questioned about the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer in 1934.

Both Mahan and Campbell were armed. The two stood as top ranking public enemies after the capture of Karpis in New Orleans last Friday night, and today a single "lone wolf" kidnaper, alone remained at large. He is Thomas H. Robinson Jr., wanted for the abduction of Mrs. Alice Speed Stoll, Louisville, Ky., society leader on October 10, 1934.

The sum of \$7,300 was found on Mahan, Hoover continued, adding that part of this was Weyerhaeuser ransom money. An additional \$13,000 was recovered from Mahan after his arrest, Hoover said.

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Flier Tells Story Of Trip From Here for Karpis

Didn't Know Mission of Hoover Till He Saw Prisoner in Chains.

J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Department of Justice, landed safely at Newark Airport at 8:40 last night after leading in the capture of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy Number 1, in New Orleans, and then taking the gangster by plane to St. Paul.

Hoover's ship, chartered at Newark and piloted by Jack Zimmerman of 245 Harding road, South Orange, crack TWA flier, drew up to the northwest corner of the field far from the passenger stations. A car was waiting in the TWA maintenance hangar. Hoover and a companion left the plane quickly and sped from the airport.

Zimmerman told a reporter he had known nothing of his unusual flying assignment until he was ordered by telephone at 3 P. M. Thursday to report at once to the airport.

"I reached the airport at 3:45 and found a Douglas airliner waiting for me," Zimmerman said. "I had no idea what it was all about. I was told to fly to New Orleans, making a stop at Washington."

Karpis in Chains

At 4 o'clock Hoover and his companion appeared. Fifteen minutes later the big ship, with Zimmerman at the controls and P. H. Smith as co-pilot, took off. At Washington they landed an hour later and picked up another government agent.

"From there we headed for New Orleans," Zimmerman said. "We arrived at 11:30 P. M. Hoover's assistant told me they had some business to attend to. They told Smith and me to go to a hotel and get some rest, and that they would call us when they were ready to leave."

"We did get some sleep. At 6 P. M. Hoover's man called and told us to get ready to leave. 'We've finished our business very successfully,' he said."

"Not till we reached the field and saw a gang of reporters did we know what had happened. In a little while Hoover and half a dozen agents appeared. Karpis was heavily chained."

"All the time we were in the air they kept questioning Karpis. Karpis wasn't tough at all and never tried to show any bravado."

Spurned Blanket

"After looking at his face with a strong light Hoover and the others decided Karpis had had the lower part of his face lifted and his ears operated on. One of the men told me Karpis had sandpaper in his pocket for destroying his fingerprints by filing his fingertips."

"Once while they stopped questioning Karpis I went back and asked him if he was chilly and wanted a blanket. He said: 'Nah!'"

"I would never have recognized Karpis from any photographs I've seen of him."

All the government men but Hoover and his assistant remained at St. Paul with Karpis.

"From there to Newark," Zimmerman said, "the two of them sat in the plane and talked all the way. They seemed very much elated and too excited to sleep, although I understand they hadn't even caught a wink from the time I took them off from Newark."

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G-Men Nab Campbell, Last of Karpis Gang

**Wife, 19, and Hench-
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HARRY CAMPBELL

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Agents Lay Trap

Federal men surrounded the Toledo apartment building during the night, Hoover said.

Some were posted inside the lobby.

The agents rushed Campbell shortly after dawn as he and the girl left from the building.

"Campbell showed a little resistance," Hoover said. He intimidated the fugitive attempted to reach a .45 caliber revolver found on his person.

The gangster had six clips of shells in his possession.

"This is the last of the ringleaders of the Karpis gang," Hoover asserted. He added that the Government would continue its hunt for persons who aided the fugitives.

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The Federal chief disclosed that Karpis and other members of the former Barker-Karpis gang escaped from a trap here in 1934 when "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians."

Going After Politicians

"We are looking into all angles involved in that tipoff," Hoover observed. "We're going to get all those who aided and abetted or harbored that gang in Cleveland—the doctors, lawyers and politicians. I understand there were crooks in the Cleveland police department then."

The arrests were in different parts of Toledo. The second-floor apartment where Campbell was seized with his woman companion is in a business section on a main thoroughfare about one and one-half miles from the downtown section. Business places are on the ground floor.

Cokar was staying in a house in one of the best residence sections of the West End.

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New York Post

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Campbell Held Unique Karpis Gang Member

Never Killed a Man, So Far as Records of Police Indicate.

Harry Campbell, arrested yesterday in Toledo, was a very unusual member of the Karpis-Barker gang. He was unusual because, so far as police know, he never killed a man.

Campbell was late in joining the gang, which probably accounts for the absence of blood on his hands. He enrolled under the leadership of the villainous Kate ("Ma") Barker and Alvin Karpis just in time to play a role in the \$200,000 Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul, Minn., in January, 1934. It was he and Karpis who actually "snatched" Bremer, investigators say.

Prior to that he had been pretty much what the underworld calls a "punk," with a few robberies on his record.

In Florida With Karpis.

Not until January 20, 1935, did he achieve widespread notoriety. He and Alvin Karpis, with their women, had been in Florida when "Ma" Barker and her son, Freddie, were killed in a spectacular gun battle with Federal agents. Campbell and Karpis, traveling in a stolen automobile, went to Atlantic City, N. J.

The Florida police, not knowing who had the car, broadcast the license number to police in other cities. Atlantic City police spotted the car and arrested the men who had been traveling in it. They found them in a hotel, but were ill prepared for what happened.

Karpis and Campbell confronted the police with machine guns, and then, under a furious fire, made their escape in another stolen car, leaving their women behind them.

Two Girls Sentenced.

Karpis' girl, Delores Delaney, soon was to become a mother. She and Campbell's companion, Wynona Burdette, a radio crooner, were taken to Miami, Fla., where they were sentenced to five years on a detention farm for harboring the two criminals.

Campbell was born 36 years ago in McClintocville, Pa. His police record began when, at the age of 20, he was arrested in Tulsa, Okla., and fined \$19.

He was arrested in Lincoln County, Okla., a year later on a bank robbery charge, but after six months was discharged on a court order for trial. What happened afterward in that case is not clear in the records.

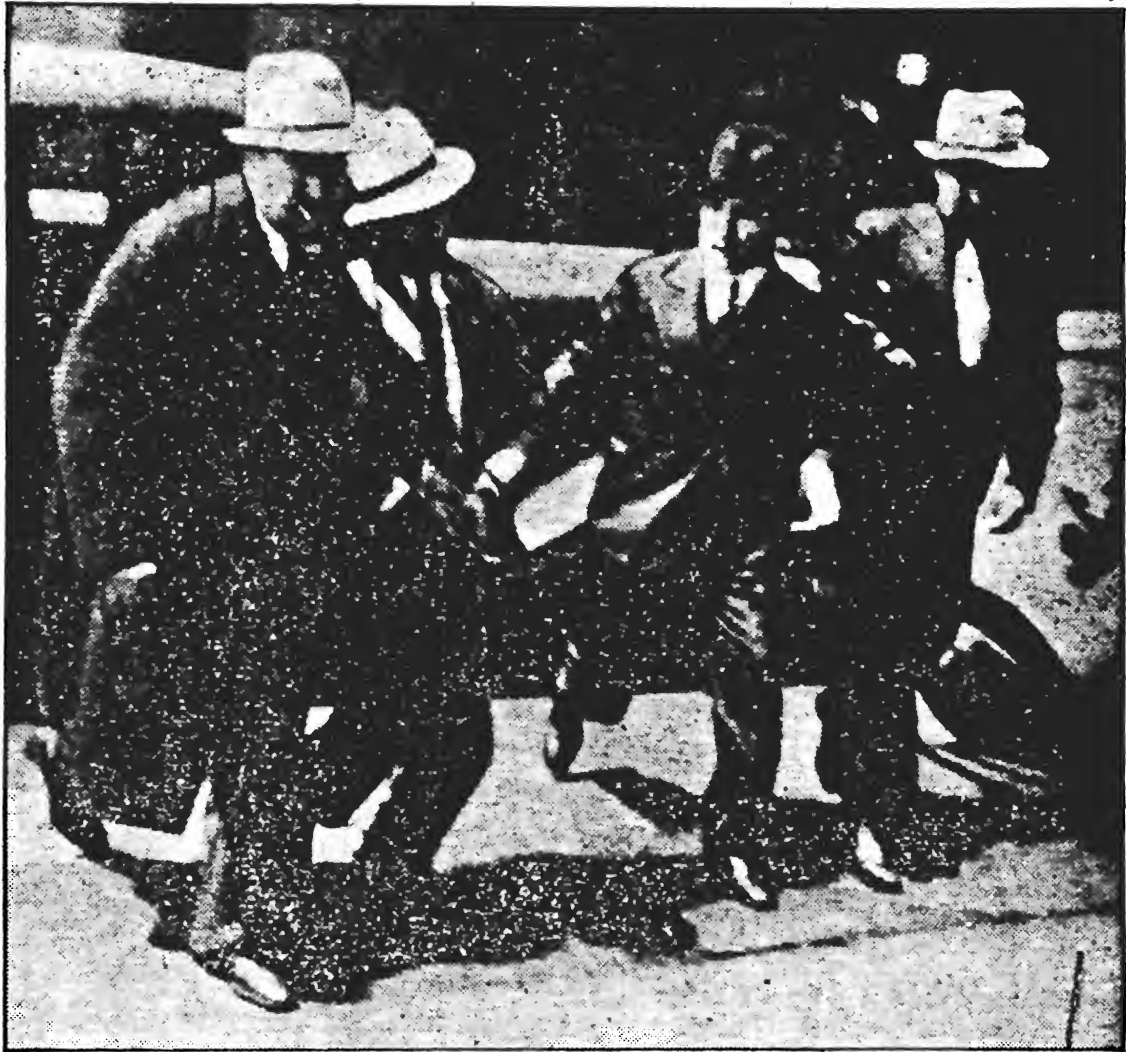
He was arrested for burglary in Tulsa in 1932, but "jumped" his bond. He remained outside of the bars until yesterday.

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Wirephoto: Federal Agents Capture Karpis Aid



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Harry Campbell, lieutenant of Alvin Karpis, shown in center handcuffed to Government agent as he entered Federal Building at St. Paul yesterday.

WASH. POST

Karpis Was Beaten And Knew It--Hoover

F. B. I. Head Returns to Find Pay Raise O. K. 'd by House

By OUR LITTLE
GIRL REPORTER

I sat between J. Edgar Hoover and Walter Winchell at the fights in Joe Turner's arena last night and listened to two fascinating men discuss the details of the capture of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1.

On one side, his face lined by the strain of the last few days (he hasn't slept, except in cat naps on airplanes, since Karpis was captured), sat the stocky, sturdy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

RAPID CROSS-FIRE

On the other side, tense, interested, tremendously alive—Winchell. He's here because he sometimes gets tired of New York. When he does, he comes to Washington, "for the rest." Over my head zipped a rapid cross-fire of conversation.

But what Hoover said to Karpis and Karpis said to Hoover is what most interested me. This is what took place when Karpis faced the guns of the G-men.

"How do you do, Mr. Hoover.

Why don't you shoot me?"

"Because you didn't try to

shoot me. Anyway, how did you know who I was?"

SAW HIS PICTURE

"I saw your picture with that big sailfish down in Florida."

Hoover, with the guns of his men trained on Karpis, remarked:

"So you like fishing?"

"Yeah, I did. Then I saw you with that big one and I realized I was beaten. Now I'm beaten again."

One of the first things Director Hoover found out, when he returned to Washington, was that his salary would be raised \$1,000, from \$9,000 to \$10,000, by a bill passed yesterday by the House of Representatives. Now the bill goes to the Senate.

"I guess anyone can use \$1,000, but I'd rather have my boys get their pension."

PENSIONS SOUGHT

It seems that Mr. Hoover's request for pensions and retirement pay for his agents is now receiving favorable consideration. A bill introduced by Representative McMillan of South Carolina provides for this protection.

Congress is expected to act on it within the next few days. Meanwhile Mr. Hoover has started a new hunt—for Karpis' hidden fortune—estimated at \$500,000.

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'Never Had A Chance,' Hoover Snaps At Reporters About Capture Of Karpis

"He never had a chance—"
With that terse sentence J. Edgar Hoover, the dark, squat chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation summed up last night the capture of the notorious and much wanted Alvin Karpis in a Canal street apartment.

Striding down the corridors of the darkened Federal building in front of the No. 1 outlaw of the nation who, straw-hatted and in shirt sleeves followed meekly, manacled by both arms to two G-men, Mr. Hoover snapped out that sentence in reply to a reporter's question.

His appearance and that of Karpis from the offices of the Investigation bureau on the third floor of the Post-Office building came with the same dramatic suddenness as had the news of Karpis' capture.

A squad of reporters and cameramen had been standing many minutes outside in the hall and most of them were about of the opinion that Mr. Hoover had already spirited away the most famous of the trio caught. But they waited on.

Suddenly the doors was thrust open and out strode Mr. Hoover, nattily dressed in a dark brown suit. There could be no mistaking him. He looked exactly like the many pictures that have been in most of the nation's newspapers.

The reporters and cameramen snapped into action.

"Is that Karpis?" All questions as if by common consent were directed at Mr. Hoover.

"Yes, that's him," Mr. Hoover replied and never paused a step.

After him chased the reporters, one of them stumbling against the two men guarding Karpis in his hurry to reach Mr. Hoover's side.

"Did he offer any resistance?"

"Not a bit," said Mr. Hoover, striding on down the steps. "He never had a chance."

"How long has he been in New Orleans?"

"Several months," Mr. Hoover continued his descent of the steps.

"Did he have a gun?"

"Not with him. He had one in the car outside."

Mr. Hoover had reached the sidewalk and began giving directions about the cars.

One of the cars, a long, dark red car, had been pulled up and into this stepped the guards and Karpis.

Mr. Hoover looked for another car. There was none ready. He seemed for the moment annoyed but it was only for a moment, for up slid another automobile.

Out shot the dark red car into the traffic on Camp street with the other machine, hastily filled now with G-men and their traveling bags and what are sometimes called "typewriters" but what are more generally known as "submachine guns."

A reporter attempted to follow in a car only to see the red car, the other following, shoot down Camp street and into Canal with a wholesale disregard of the red traffic lights.

Later the trail of the G-men was picked up at the Shushan airport but the guard about the specially chartered plane was so heavy a reporter could not get near it.

Their destination? Mr. Hoover refused to reveal that for "good and sufficient reason."

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FLY CAMPBELL TO ST. PAUL FOR KIDNAPING QUIZ

G-Men Grab Last of Barker-Karpis Gang in Toledo Lair; Outlaw's Resistance Fails

ST. PAUL, May 7.—(AP)—In a capture that was almost a copy of that of his erstwhile gang chief, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, last uncaught principal of the Barker-Karpis gang, was seized at dawn today in Toledo, O., bundled into an airplane and whisked here for questioning about a long series of kidnappings and robberies.

Not a trigger was squeezed as government officers, led by J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the bureau of investigation, closed in on the only remaining fugitive from the twenty-five persons accused by the Department of Justice of implication in the \$200,000 abduction here in 1934 of Edward G. Bremer.

POUNCE ON OUTLAW.

"Campbell showed a little resistance," said Hoover, intimating his quarry reached for a gun. But the heavily armed federal men who had surrounded the

Toledo apartment building during the night pounced on the long-sought limping outlaw this morning as he emerged and snatched his .45 caliber pistol from his pocket.

Then, following the same procedure they initiated last Friday night after the arrest of Karpis in New Orleans, Hoover's men shackled their prisoner with leg-irons and handcuffs, hurried him to a chartered "flying patrol wagon" and sped him here, with only a ten-minute stop at Chicago Municipal Airport en route.

On his arrival in St. Paul, U. S. District Attorney George Sullivan announced that bail of \$500,000 would be asked for the gangster when he is arraigned on the kidnap charge. This would equal the highest bail ever asked in a criminal case—that sought from Karpis in the Bremer and William Hamm Jr. kidnappings.

YOUNG GIRL SEIZED.

A 19-year-old girl, claiming to be Campbell's wife, and Sam Cokar, a minor member of the now broken Karpis-Barker gang, were nabbed also, but were not brought here. Cokar was taken in a simultaneous raid on another apartment house in Toledo. The girl was seized with Campbell.

Currency amounting to \$2,900 was found in Campbell's room.

Hoover said the government would continue its search for persons who aided Campbell and other members of the gang. He disclosed a trap for members of the mob was set in Cleveland two years ago, but that "they were tipped off by two Cleveland politicians."

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Report Karpis Betrayed Pal

MINNEAPOLIS, May 7.—(A.P.)—The Tribune tonight said that Alvin Karpis asked G-men:

"By the way, who put the finger on me?"

"Your pal," the Tribune says an agent replied.

And that, states the newspaper, is why the G-men soon knew Harry Campbell, Karpis' pal, was in Toledo.

CHICAGO HERALD & EXAMINER

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\$200,000 Bail for Karpis' Pal

New Orleans, La.—Bond of \$200,000 was set for Fred Hunter, henchman of Alvin Karpis, when he was arraigned Wednesday on charges of mail robbery.

After his arraignment Hunter was placed in custody of Philip Alvarez, United States marshal. He waived extradition and it was understood he was to be taken to Ohio in charge of a postal inspector from Cincinnati to answer to a charge of mail robbery at Garrettsville.

Hunter, nervous and shaking, appeared before the commissioner with his hands cuffed behind his back and wearing leg chains. He used a handkerchief to hide his face during most of the hearing.

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KARPIS SNEERS AS COURT SETS \$500,000 BAIL

Five Charges Filed Against Him; Con- tinue Grilling.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 6—(Uni-
versal)—Brought before the clerk
of the United States District court
today prior to removal to the Ram-
sey county jail, Alvin Karpis, kid-
naper and erstwhile public enemy
No. 1, was told bail would be \$100,-
000 each on the five charges against
him.

The gangster was startled for an
instant, inquiring:

"What was that?"

The clerk replied:

"I said bail would be \$500,000—
can your furnish it?"

Karpis sneered and said:

"Not today."

Karpis was taken to jail after
103 hours of almost continuous
grilling by G-men. The bail is a
record for St. Paul. There were
one actual kidnaping and two con-
spiracy charges in the Edward G.
Bremer \$200,000 kidnaping and a
kidnaping and a conspiracy charge
in the William Hamm Jr., \$100,000
kidnaping.

While Karpis was being ques-
tioned today not only on the kid-
napings, but about a \$30,000 St.
Paul holdup in which a policeman
was killed, the slaying of a Mis-
souri sheriff and various other
crimes, the alleged accomplice with
whom he was arrested in New Or-
leans, Fred Hunter, was being ar-
raigned before United States Com-
missioner Reginald Carter Jr., in
the southern city.

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St. Paul Daily News
5-8-36

**Sheriff Drank Beer With
"Limpy" Campbell**

TOLEDO, May 8.—(INS)—
Reports that sensational new
developments are imminent as
the outgrowth of the capture
here Thursday of Harry
Campbell circulated today.

A number of Toledoans will
be questioned by G-men on
the theory that they may have
some knowledge of the activ-
ities of Campbell and Alvin
Karpis when the gang had a
hideout here.

Sheriff James O'Reilly ad-
mitted he knew Campbell un-
der the name of "Bob Miller,"
and drank beer with him on
several occasions.

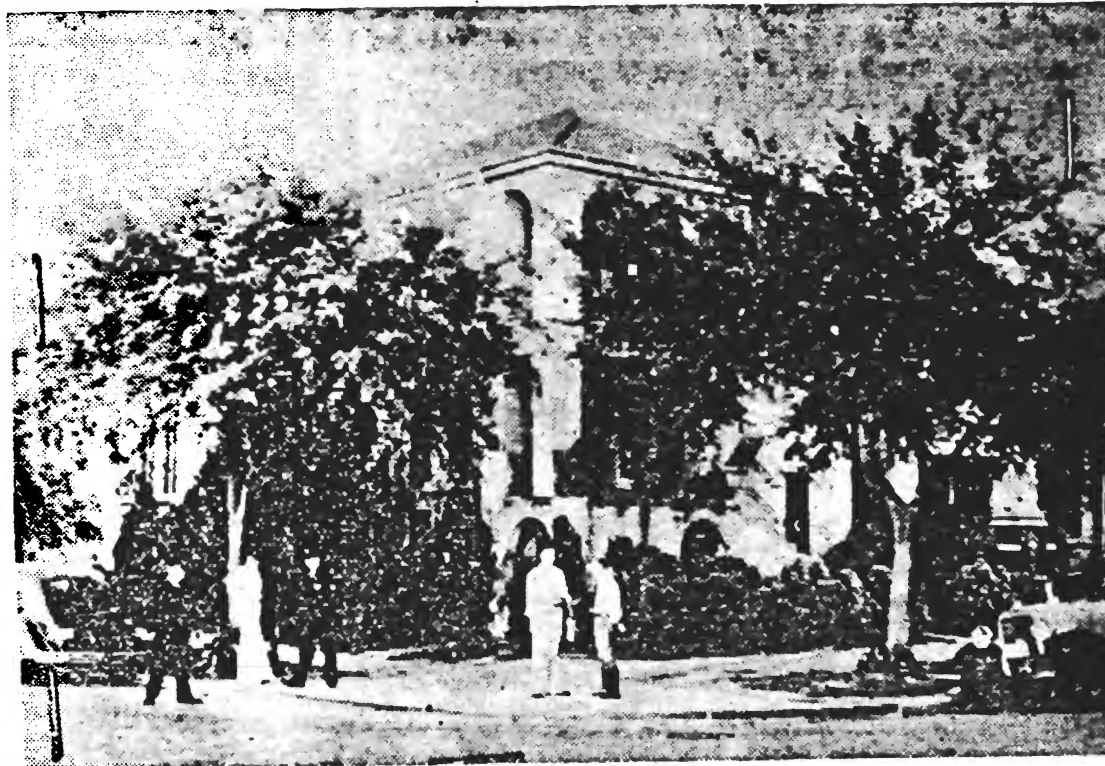
O'Reilly said he had never
noticed a picture of Campbell
posted on the county jail bul-
letin board, and added he al-
ways thought Campbell was a
big man, while Miller "is just
a little fellow."

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Capture of Public Enemy No. 1



—Wide World Photo.

Police guarding "apartment house" where Alvin Karpis, the nation's No. 1 desperado, lived during his stay in New Orleans. Karpis was taken back to St. Paul by airplane to face trial on kidnaping charges.

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Six Who Saw Karpis Often Were 'Fooled'

Only One Had Slightest
Suspicion He Was
Gangster

New Orleans, May 2 (UP).—Seven thousand dollars could have been collected by any of six persons who frequently saw Alvin Karpis during his stay here.

Mrs. John Meyer, owner of the apartment where Karpis and his pretty companion lived since April 16, visited the apartment daily, but considered Karpis only as Edward O'Hara, a "likeable kid," quiet, considerate and with a nice wife.

Addison Cole, high school senior, occupant of an apartment in the same building, saw Karpis almost daily and witnessed the capture, but never dreamed that Edward O'Hara was the fugitive.

Pearl Marshall, 15, Negress, worked for the O'Hara's for two weeks, but was interested only in the \$3 weekly wages and the "nice way she was treated."

Clarence (Count) Pucheu, automobile salesman, came the closest. He sold Karpis an automobile and told his wife that he thought the man

looked like Karpis, but failed to follow his hunch and check police files. His suspicions are believed to have reached the ears of G-Men.

Edward Hoffman, owner of a garage where Karpis kept his automobile for several days, was not even suspicious of the gangster.

John Campbell, Negro janitor at the apartment house, saw the fugitive every day, but found nothing to arouse his suspicions.

The Marshall girl, who served Karpis' woman companion, said the couple was not generous to her, but the woman did give her a white dress this week, in addition to her wages.

She said Karpis and the woman lived quietly and modestly, retired early every night, never drank liquor and seldom went out.

Another who knew Karpis, as O'Hara, by sight was Mrs. J. P. McGuire, who lived next door. She is the mother of twins. Last Sunday, she said, Karpis stopped in front of her house and patted the twins on the head.

Mrs. McGuire's mother saw the G-men congregate in the yard back of the Karpis apartment building this afternoon and asked one of them what he was doing.

The man laughed, she said, and told her to get the children inside and "not to stick her head outside again until we let you know."

Pucheu, the automobile salesman, described Karpis as youthful and frail.

"I was suspicious of him from the start. He looked a little too fast and slick. He talked rapidly and had shifty eyes."

The landlady, Mrs. Meyer, "couldn't believe anything bad of her tenant."

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INDIANAPOLIS TIMES
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HUNTER BOND \$200,000

Karpis' Pal Arraigned on Charge
of Harboring Gunman.

By United Press
NEW ORLEANS, May 6.—Bond
of \$200,000 was set for Fred Hun-
ter, henchman of Alvin Karpis,
when he was arraigned today on
charges of "harboring and conceal-
ing" Karpis. Hunter waived pre-
liminary hearing.

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INDIANAPOLIS STAR
May 6, 1936

**Hoover Absolves Woman
of Karpis Connections**

WASHINGTON, May 5.—(AP)—J. Edgar Hoover said today that Ruth Robinson, the red-haired woman seized by Federal agents with Alvin Karpis in New Orleans Friday night, has been released.

He said no charges will be placed against her.

Fred Hunter, arrested at the same time, is being held to face charges of harboring Karpis and to face charges in connection with a mail train robbery at Garrettsville, O.

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Karpis to Face Pleading Soon

ST. PAUL, May 4 (AP)—The government today planned an early arraignment of Alvin Karpis on kidnaping charges as county authorities at Minneapolis moved to seek his indictment there for bank robbery and murder.

United States District Attorney George F. Sullivan said Karpis would be arraigned on four kidnaping and conspiracy counts in the abductions of two St. Paul business leaders, William Hamm Jr., brewer, and Edward G. Bremer, banker. The time has not been set, he said. The maximum penalty for kidnaping is life imprisonment.

Questioning of Karpis continued today as federal agents attempted to learn additional details of the kidnaping plots and the names of other accomplices, particularly the money changers who handled the \$100,000 Hamm ransom.

Ed J. Goff, Hennepin (Minneapolis) county attorney, announced he was taking steps to have the outlaw indicted for murder and bank robbery in that city.

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Karpis shakes following new grilling

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 4.—(AP)—Relentless questioning by department of justice officials left Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, pale and shaking today and facing arraignment on a charge of kidnaping William Hamm, Jr.

J. Edgar Hoover, justice department chief, said in New York Karpis would be tried first for his part in the \$100,000 Hamm abduction. The maximum penalty is life imprisonment.

Later, he may be turned over to Missouri authorities who would like to convict him and sentence him to death for the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelly of West Plains.

Karpis has been indicted in the Hamm and Kelly cases and in the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker.

Agents questioning Karpis concentrated on still unsolved angles of the Hamm case. They have announced possibility of further arrests in the case.

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LOS ANGELES DAILY NEWS
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Nearly Half-Million Dollar Bail Set On Public Enemy Alvin Karpis

ST. PAUL POLICE SUBJECT GUNMAN TO THIRD DEGREE

ST. PAUL —(P)— Alvin Karpis was subjected to his third day of almost continuous questioning Monday as District Attorney George F. Sullivan announced the government was "an air-tight case" and will ask that bail be set at \$400,000 when the long-sought outlaw is arraigned on kidnaping charges.

Explaining what he believed was an unprecedented bail demand, Sullivan called Karpis "one of the most desperate characters in the history of the nation." He is prepared to arraign Karpis as soon as questioners finish, the district attorney added.

Federal agents have pried Karpis with questions continuously since he was rushed here by airplane Saturday morning from New Orleans where he was seized the night before after a three year hunt.

Results Not Disclosed

His questioners did not disclose results of their efforts or when they expected to complete the task.

Sullivan professed no interest in reports that Karpis had confessed and was willing to plead guilty either to the \$100,000 ransom kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr., brewing company head or the abduction of Banker Edward G. Bremer, for whose release \$200,000 was paid.

Clinton W. Stein, in charge of the department of justice office here, refused to comment on the reports. He also said only Washington authorities could say whether Karpis would eventually be taken to Missouri for trial on charges of slaying a sheriff. A death sentence is possible in that state. Life imprisonment is the maximum penalty on the charges Karpis faces here.

Don't Want Confession

"The government is not interested in Karpis' alleged confession and decision to plead guilty," Sullivan said. "We have an airtight case against him. We've got to try other defendants in the Hamm case anyhow and we don't care whether Karpis pleads guilty or elects to stand trial."

Karpis was among seven persons indicted here two weeks ago for the Hamm kidnaping. Several of these are to be tried this fall.

Questions put to Karpis revolved about the kidnapings, agents said, and included nearly a score of other crimes, among them two holdups in this area—A \$30,000 payroll holdup in South St. Paul and the \$112,000 Minneapolis Third Northwestern National bank holdup. Four persons were killed in the two raids.

Ed J. Goff, Hennepin (Minneapolis) county attorney, said he would seek Karpis' indictment for the Minneapolis holdup, while E. J. McAlpin, South St. Paul police chief, said a grand jury would be convened soon and asked to indict Karpis, Arthur (Doc) Barker, and Charles Fitzgerald for the payroll raid.

Fitzgerald is held here on Hamm kidnaping indictment, while Barker is serving a life term in a catraz prison for the Bremer abduction.

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Karpis Made 'Name' for Self After Parole by Kindly Judge

Desperado, Released in 1931 in Oklahoma,
Rejoined Barker Family in Trail of Crime;
Committed Murder Within a Month.

Like many another modern desperado, Alvin Karpis made a "name" for himself after being paroled. His most spectacular crimes—the murder of a sheriff, two major kidnappings and a long list of bank robberies—were committed in a period when, had not a kindly judge interfered, Karpis would have been in a penitentiary.

Perhaps the judge was thinking about Karpis' youth; perhaps he could not believe that the tall, pathetically thin young man with the blue eyes and the pale face was as bad as the Oklahoma police made him out to be. At any rate, the judge did not think Karpis ought to serve four years to which a jury in his own court had sentenced him, and so he placed him on parole.

That was in the fall of 1931. A month later Karpis had committed a murder and was well started on the riotous career that was to make him Public Enemy No. 1 in a country where there was plenty of competition.

Karpis, whose real name was Raymond Karpavicz, was born August 10, 1909, in Montreal, Canada, of Lithuanian parents. The family moved to the United States when he was a small boy.

First Arrested at 16.

He was first arrested in Topeka, Kans., when he was 16. The charge was stealing automobile tires. For that offense he was committed to the State industrial reformatory at Hutchinson for 10 years. There he met Lawrence Devol, and the two became fast friends. Three years after Karpis entered the institution, he and Devol—also known as Larry Barton—sawed through their cell bars and escaped.

They were arrested a year or so later in Kansas City. In their automobile was a safe-blowing kit. Karpis was sent back to the reformatory, but when knives were found on him he was shifted to the Kansas State Penitentiary.

He was released May 31, 1931. While in the penitentiary, Karpis met Freddie Barker, one of the several criminal sons of "Ma" Kate Barker, herself a specialist in robbery, kidnaping and murder. Now Karpis headed for Tulsa, Okla., where "Ma" had her headquarters.

Arrested in Tulsa.

Ultimately he was to become so powerful that the organization became known as the Barker-Karpis gang. Had it not been for the aforementioned judge, however, Karpis and the Barkers would have parted company for good two weeks after Karpis' arrival in Tulsa.

On June 10, 1931, Karpis was arrested in Tulsa and taken to Okmulgee, Okla., where he was wanted on a burglary charge. At that time he was using the name of George Haller.

He was sentenced to four years in the State Penitentiary in McAlester, Okla. But he never went there. After serving three months in the county jail, the judge who had presided at his trial paroled him.

He rejoined "Ma" Barker and her sons—Freddie, Arthur, also known as "Doc," and Herman and Lloyd. Other notorious criminals with whom he associated included Frank Nash and Verne Miller, the renegade sheriff who killed a Federal agent in the Kansas City "massacre" that followed an attempt to rescue Nash.

Karpis' underworld cronies called him "Old Creepy" because he got on their nerves. He was never very popular with the men, although "Ma" Barker, who knew a good bank robber when she saw one, liked and admired him.

On December 19, 1931, not long

after he had been killed Sheriff C. R. Plains, Mo. He had a package to question robbery the night they had not taken bery, but rather the again Karpis gave K Now Karpis and moved into the No cute an amazing series. "Ma" Bar banks and arrange away. Police have the gang got away million dollars and five persons.

Biggest Haul

Their biggest haul carried away from Bank & Trust Co., S. Dak. This, together of \$20,000 and \$30,000 netted from period amounted to imortal the Karpis-Barker gang was ambitious.

Early in the summer of 1933 the gang decided to espouse the kidnaping racket, and marked as the first victim William A. Hamm, jr., wealthy St. Paul brewer. Hamm was seized as he left his office for luncheon on June 15, 1933, and was taken to a farmhouse at Bensenville, Ill. On the night of June 17, his family paid the \$100,000 ransom, and Hamm was released near Wyoming, Minn.

Arthur (Doc) Barker and Fred Barker, together with six other criminals, helped Karpis on this job which had been planned by "Ma" Barker.

Not long afterwards, Karpis, "Ma" Barker and her boys were in the kitchen of their St. Paul home when they heard the police were on their way. "Ma" suspected that somebody had "squealed" about their part in the Hamm kidnaping. Her suspicion fell on her second husband, Arthur W. Dunlap. It was decided that he must die. His stepson, Freddie, and Karpis invited Dunlap to take an automobile ride. A few days later, Dunlap's body, riddled with bullets, was found near a small town in Wisconsin.

Encouraged by Success.

The Hamm kidnaping, which had brought the gang \$100,000 so easily, encouraged Karpis and "Ma" Barker to seize another wealthy citizen of St. Paul. This time they were determined to double the ransom sum. Their victim was Edward George Bremer, scion of another well-known family of St. Paul brewers and president of the Commercial State Bank. He was kidnaped on the morning of January 17, 1934, immediately after he had driven his daughter to school.

Bremer, too, was taken to Ben-

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senville, Ill. He was held there until February 7, when the \$200,000 ransom was paid by his family.

The kidnapers had used flashlights in signaling to members of the Bremer family at the place where the pay-off occurred. They made the mistake of leaving these flashlights at the scene. Federal agents found them and traced them to a store in St. Paul, the owner of which identified Alvin Karpis as the purchaser.

Proved Undoing of Gang

That kidnaping was to prove the undoing of the Karpis-Barker gang.

Karpis, the one-time petty thief, was now mentioned along with John Dillinger, "Baby Face" Nelson and the Nation's other first-rank mobsters. In the language of the underworld, he was "hot" and he had to keep moving.

"Ma" Barker and her son, Freddie, went into hiding on a chicken farm in Florida. Karpis, with his girl friend, Dolores Delaney, and Harry Campbell and his girl visited the Barkers there, and then took over a place of their own farther south.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was tipped off to the whereabouts of the Barkers, and there followed one of the most spectacular gun battles in the Nation's history of crime.

A small army of Federal men was thrown around the Barker home. The agent in charge, risking his life, walked boldly up to the door and asked "Ma" and her son to surrender.

Issued Order to Shoot

"To hell with you all," said "Ma." Then, calling upstairs to Fred, she cried, "Let the damn Feds have it. Shoot!"

Young Barker blazed away with a machine gun. A moment later his mother joined him and trained another machine gun on the agents. They, meantime, were loosing a veritable hail of lead at the house.

Tear gas also was turned on the house, but "Ma" and her son continued to fire. At length a burst of rifle fire tore through the house and caught "Ma." She dropped beside her machine gun. Fred caved in a few minutes later. He had 14 bullets in his body.

Karpis and Campbell heard about the raid, and, with their women, started North. They traveled in a stolen car; otherwise, they might have been spared a lot of trouble.

Auto Is Found

Florida police broadcast the number of the car. Atlantic City police found it in a garage, and on orders of the Florida authorities set out to arrest the men who were driving it. They did not know, of course, when they went to the small hotel

for the two men that they were Karpis and Campbell.

Consequently, they were prepared for the battle that followed. Karpis drove them back with a machine gun, and he and Campbell made their way out of the hotel, stole another machine and made their escape. They left their women behind them, and one of them, Karpis' companion, shortly thereafter went to a maternity ward.

What finally brought about his capture apparently was the \$5,000 reward recently offered by Attorney General Homer Cummings. This was posted April 22. A few days later the Postoffice Department offered another \$2,000.

Confident of Arrest

Whether this money was posted as part of a bargain with the informer may never be known. At any rate, the Federal Bureau of Investigation was confident for several days that Karpis was "in the bag."

J. Edgar Hoover was in New York three nights ago. He left there for New Orleans, traveling presumably by plane, and yesterday led the raid in which Karpis was seized.

Incidentally, it was Hoover's first arrest. He directed the war against the underworld that brought down such criminal celebrities as John Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd and "Baby Face" Nelson, but never until yesterday had he actually arrested a man. Asked by a Senate appropriations committee recently whether he had ever made an arrest, Hoover explained that it was not until a year ago that he and his men were authorized to make arrests.

Hoover took more than a professional interest in Karpis. Last summer he received a message from Karpis threatening his life.

Harry Campbell, Karpis' radio singer companion, does not now become public enemy No. 1. Department of Justice officials explained last night.

There are two men whom Hoover's men would much rather arrest. They are William Mahan, sought as the remaining principal in the Weyerhaeuser kidnaping, and Thomas R. Robinson, jr., who kidnaped Mrs. Berry V. Stoll, of Louisville, Ky., and held her for \$50,000.

Arthur (Doc) Barker would be high in the listing if he were at large, but he is now serving a life sentence at Alcatraz for his part in the Bremer kidnaping.

Highlights in Arch Gangster's Attempts to Evade the Law



Alvin Karpis, who, until his capture in New Orleans last night, was known as Public Enemy No. 1, is shown when his criminal career first came to the attention of authorities upon his commitment to the Kansas Reformatory at the age of 16, on a burglary charge. Top, officers at Munroe, Mich., examining machine abandoned by Karpis and Harry Campbell, after they used it in their flight from Atlantic City, where they shot their way to freedom when trapped by local officers in hotel room. Other photograph shows girls they left behind, Winona Burdette and Dolores Delaney, being escorted to Atlantic City police headquarters.